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BERLIN VIEWS LOCARNO POWERS' MEMORANDUM WITH DISTASTE

EDEN'S STATEMENT ON NEGOTIATIONS PROPOSALS FAIR AND REASONABLE

FLANDIN DECLARES RELATIONS WITH BRITAIN STRENGTHENED

London, To-day.

The diplomatic and Dominions' galleries were crowded and there was an unusually large attendance in the House of Commons when Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, rose and made a brief statement on the international negotiations in London.

He announced that agreement had been reached with France, Belgium and Italy as regards the proposals which would be submitted to the League Council, whose task of pronouncing whether Germany had unilaterally repudiated the Locarno Treaty was comparatively simple. It was highly desirable that Germany be represented at the grave deliberations and should have the opportunity of stating her case on equal terms before a vote were taken.

He anticipated that the next meeting of the Council would be on Monday, when there would also be a meeting of the Committee of Thirteen to consider the Italian and Abyssinian replies to the proposed peace negotiations.

CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES?

Foreshadowed By
Flandin

FRESH SUGGESTION

Paris, To-day.

M. Flandin, the French Foreign Minister, in the Chamber, yesterday foreshadowed the cessation of hostilities and the raising of sanctions. His text relating to Abyssinia was as follows:

"I have endeavoured to prepare the restoration of the Stresa front, which ought now to be realised, thanks to the opening of the peace negotiations which I succeeded in arranging at Geneva recently, which in our opinion ought to entail rapidly and simultaneously the suspension of hostilities and sanctions." — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

STEP TOWARDS PEACE

Paris, later: Authoritative French quarters stress the importance of M. Flandin's statement in the Chamber with regard to Abyssinia. It is declared that it should be interpreted purely as a French suggestion made on M. Flandin's own initiative with a view to creating an atmosphere favourable to peace.

SURPRISE IN ROME

Rome: M. Flandin's reference to Abyssinia caused surprise in unofficial circles. It is pointed out that Italy is not likely to cease her military operations when her armies are advancing, unless her terms are accepted in advance and their execution guaranteed. — Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Silver Prices Up

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1.31/4d.

"Spot" silver rose 1/16 to 19-13/16, while "forward" also advanced 1/16 to 19-1/4.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.96% as compared with £—U.S.\$4.96% while the New York on London cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.96% as compared with £—U.S.\$4.97%.



Photographs taken soon after the luxury liner Empress of Britain had docked at Kowloon Wharf early yesterday morning. ("China Mail" photo).

NOTEWORTHY VISIT TO ROME

By Austrian And Hungarian Statesmen

Rome, To-day. The Austrian and Hungarian Premiers and Foreign Ministers arrived yesterday and were met by Signor Mussolini, high Fascist officials and a large crowd. The visit of the representatives of the two non-sanctionist countries is regarded as noteworthy. — Reuter.

THE COMBINED MANOEUVRES

Official Communiqué Issued

ENEMY PLANES AND SHIPPING SUFFER HEAVY CASUALTIES

An official communiqué from Fortress Headquarters issued this morning stated that their operations began at 4 p.m. yesterday by the Blue Land, who opened their offensive with an intensive air action against the vulnerable points on both the Island and mainland, the attack being by high-altitude bombing and by dive bombing.

Owing to the low cloud level considerable damage was caused to aircraft by the necessity for low flying, as all vulnerable points are adequately guarded by anti-aircraft Lewis machine-guns. The intensive air action lasted until 9 p.m. when owing to bad visibility, aircraft attack was made singularly, chiefly on the Island.

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GERMAN UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES

Berlin, To-day. — At the beginning of January the number of unemployed at the German labour offices was still rising slightly. This rise has now come to a standstill, and at the end of last month a decrease of 90,000 was once again registered. — Trans-Ocean Service.

NEW COLONIAL SECRETARY FOR STRAITS

Berlin, To-day. — Mr. Alexander Syme, of the Malayan Civil Service, has been appointed Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, in succession to Sir Andrew Caldecott, present Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hong Kong. — Reuter.

FLOOD HAVOC IN U.S.

Famine And Disease Threat

PITIFUL SCENES

New York, To-day. The flood waters of the Potowmac and other rivers are receding, revealing a catastrophic scene of desolation. The damage is estimated at \$300,000,000, of which \$100,000,000 is in Western Pennsylvania.

There are pitiful scenes among the ravaged communities, where thousands are stunned at the realisation that they have lost everything. Famine and disease are threatening the affected areas. — Reuter.

AKRON RUBBER STRIKE

Agreement Subject To Ratification

Washington, To-day. The Department of Labour has been advised that agreement has been reached for the settlement of the Akron rubber strike, subject to ratification by a mass meeting of the workers to-day. — Reuter.

GERMAN SHIPS IN BRITISH PORTS

Hamburg, To-day. — The proportion of ships under the German flag in British ports has risen from 4 per cent in 1930 to 64 per cent in 1935, or from 2,558 to 4,146 reg. tons. — Trans-Ocean Service.

WEATHER REPORT

Fresh north-easterly winds, cloudy, is the forecast for to-day, as issued this morning by the Royal Observatory.

BRUNO HAUPTMANN'S EXECUTION

Fixed For March 31

TRENTON, N.J., To-day.

The execution of Bruno Hauptmann, found guilty of the murder of the kidnapped Lindbergh baby, has been fixed for the evening of March 31. — Reuter.

H.M. THE KING'S BIRTHDAY

To Be Celebrated On
June 23

LONDON, To-day.

H.M. the King's birthday will be celebrated in London and all stations at home and abroad on June 23, according to an announcement in last night's Gazette. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

NORTH ATLANTIC SHIPPING

NEW RATES TO BE INTRODUCED

CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Hamburg, To-day. In the new North Atlantic rate agreement, the "cabin" class will take the place of "first" class on all trans-Atlantic steamers. This applies to the German luxury-liners also, and entails a new system of fare adjustment, which, however, will not lead to any marked change in rates. The tourist class will also remain practically the same. — Trans-Ocean Service.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR IN CHINA

Berlin, To-day. — The German Ambassador to China, Dr. Tramann, after 4½ years of uninterrupted services in that country, is returning home on leave. — Trans-Ocean Service.

TOO LIKE TREATY OF VERSAILLES EARLIER OPTIMISM DISCOUNTED DETAILS OF WHITE PAPER

London, To-day.

The White Paper containing the Locarno Powers' agreement, tabled in Parliament yesterday afternoon, is divided into two parts. The first deals with the measures arising from the infringement of Locarno and the second provides the framework for an ultimate international conference.

The first part, after affirming the infringement, lays down that an agreement shall immediately be concluded between the Locarno General Staffs to arrange provisional measures for mutual assistance. Germany will be invited to abide by The Hague Court decision regarding the Franco-Soviet Pact.

Measures are outlined to maintain order and security while The Hague is deciding the matter. The measures stipulate:

- (1) The maintenance of the status quo by the military forces in the Rhineland;
- (2) The maintenance of the status quo by the military in the Rhineland, apart from the Reichswehr;
- (3) The status quo regarding fortifications;
- (4) The despatch of an international force to the east-France-Belgian frontiers in a 20-kilometre strip of country;
- (5) An international commission will supervise the execution of the measures.

IN EVENT OF AGREEMENT

If Germany agrees to the foregoing she will be invited to negotiate on the following basis:

- (1) The proposals of the Hitler memorandum of March 7, excluding re-entry into the League;
- (2) The revision of the status of the Rhineland;
- (3) A pact of mutual assistance to replace Locarno.

WORLD CONFERENCE?

The second part invites a world conference:

- (1) To organise collective security;
- (2) More exactly to define the obligations and applications of Article XVI of the Covenant;
- (3) The delimitation of armaments;
- (4) To improve economic relations;

(5) To examine the conditions in which Germany can return to the League, and for the conclusion of an East European Pact.

POSITION AGGRAVATED

Berlin, later: The situation since noon yesterday has been considerably aggravated following a closer perusal of the Locarno Powers' memorandum, said a high official of the Wilhelmstrasse last night. He added that the wording of the document was strongly reminiscent of the Treaty of Versailles. It was certainly not a bridge leading to a great peace plan.

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LONDON NAVAL TREATY TO BE SIGNED ON TUESDAY

London, To-day. — The formal signing of the London Naval Treaty will take place in Queen Anne's drawing room, St. James's Palace, on Tuesday next. The Drafting Committee held its final meeting yesterday and the first committee will meet to-day and probably again on Monday to approve the final text of the Treaty. — British Wireless Service.

HITLER STANDS FIRM

"Germany Will Not
Waver."

Hamburg, To-day.

"I need the German people behind me in the struggle for equality against the encroachment of others, who again today treat us as unequal," said Herr Hitler in an election speech to 50,000 people at the great Hansa Hall yesterday.

He added: "The world must know that we will never go back a centimetre from our demands for equality. I pity the statesmen who think that German co-operation can be inaugurated by new defamations of Germany."

The speech, which was unusually short, made no direct reference to the White Paper.

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INWARD MAIIS.

FROM EUROPE

Automedon (Air Mail ex Imperial Service) Mar. 23

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Harrison Mar. 27
Emp. of Canada Mar. 27
Pres. Lincoln Mar. 30

FROM SHANGHAI

Kwangtung Mar. 21
Tsinan Mar. 24
Ajax Mar. 24
Pres. Doumer Mar. 27
Gen. Sherman Mar. 27
Scharnhorst Mar. 27
Somali Mar. 27
Pres. Harrison Mar. 27
Emp. of Canada Mar. 27
Eumanns Mar. 28
Chichibu Maru Mar. 30

FROM JAPAN

Neto Maru Mar. 24
Toyma Maru Mar. 24
Montevideo Maru Mar. 24
Gen. Sherman Mar. 24
Pushimi Maru Mar. 24
Atsuta Maru Mar. 24
Pres. Harrison Mar. 24
Emp. of Canada Mar. 24
Chichibu Maru Mar. 24
Nagato Maru Mar. 24
Pres. Lincoln Mar. 24
Nankin Mar. 24

FROM MANILA

Mar. 29
Tsinan Mar. 29

OUTWARD MAIIS.

FOR EUROPE

Pres. Coolidge (via Siberia) Mar. 23
Montevideo Maru (Imperial Service) Mar. 23
Closes: Reg. 1 p.m., Ord. 1:30 p.m.
Pres. Doumer (Air-Orient Service) Mar. 24
Closes: Reg. 10 a.m., Ord. 10:30 a.m.
Automedon Mar. 24
Ajax (via Marseilles) Mar. 25
Closes: Reg. 8:45 a.m., Ord. 9:30 a.m.
Scharnhorst (via Marseilles) Mar. 26
Closes: Reg. 4:15 p.m., Ord. 5 p.m.
Pushimi Maru Mar. 27

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Mar. 23
Montevideo Maru Mar. 23
Scharnhorst Maru Mar. 26
Pushimi Maru Mar. 27

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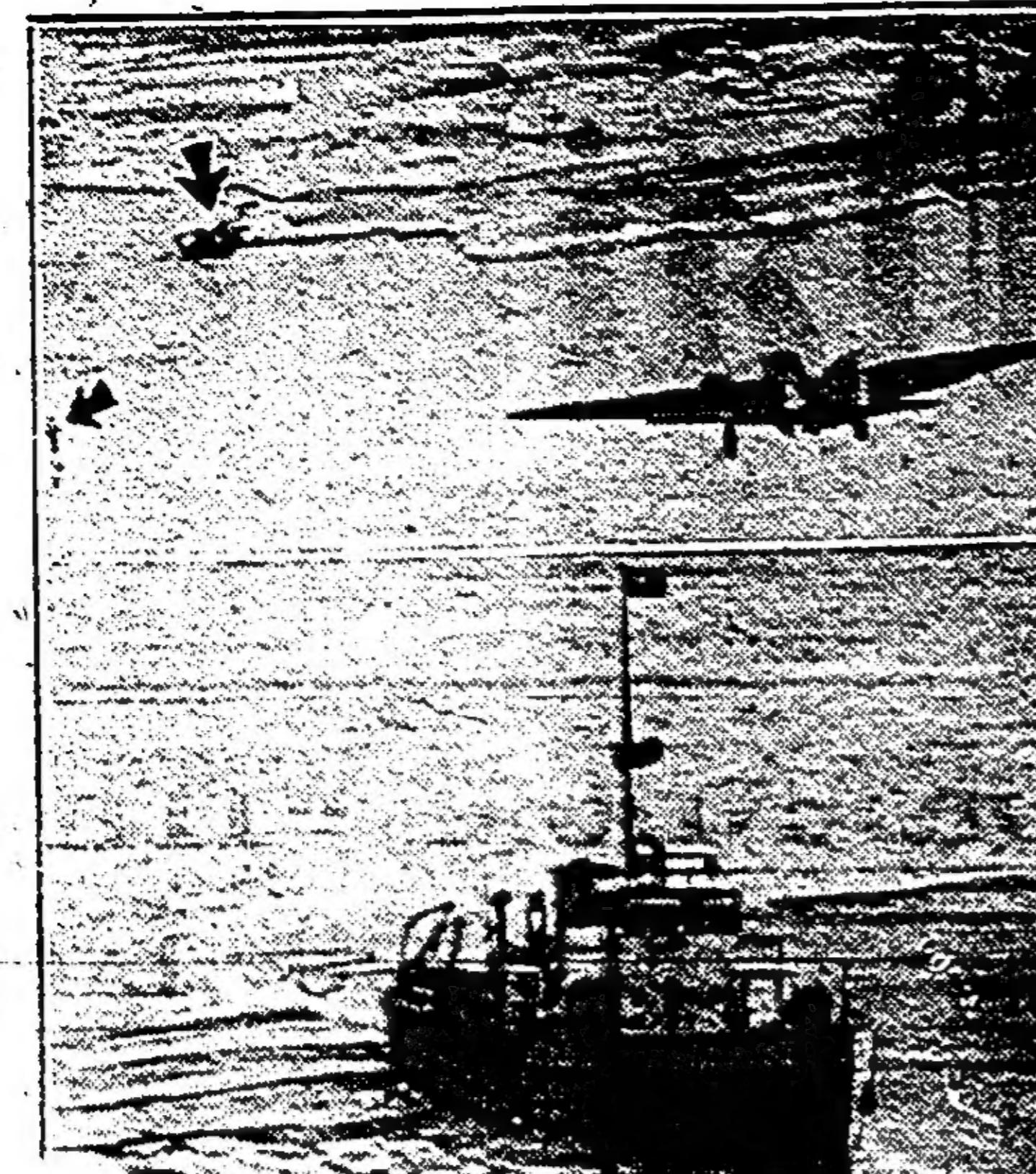
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FOR JAPAN

Mar. 23
Pres. Coolidge Mar. 23
Hakusan Maru Mar. 27

FOR AUSTRALIA

Mar. 27
Atsuta Maru Mar. 27



When the heavyweight boxing champion, Jimmy Braddock, heard at Miami that his two-year-old daughter Rose Marie was ill at his home in New Jersey, he cut short his vacation and hurried home. A hug and a kiss seems to have done more than doctor's pills, for here the two of them are "talking things over."

Blankets and food for the seven CCC boys marooned on the ice of Cape Cod Bay off Brewster, Massachusetts, for 22 hours before their rescue, were dropped by the crew of an army bombing plane. The plane is shown, top, approaching one of the groups of marooned boys; below, a view of the patrol boat Harriet Lane attempting to push through the thin ice to the rescue. A small boat launched by the patrol ship effected the rescue.



Anna Hopkins, the attractive daughter of President Ernest M. Hopkins of Dartmouth College, reigns as queen of the 26th annual Dartmouth winter carnival at Hanover, New Hampshire. Other beautiful participants served as members of her court.

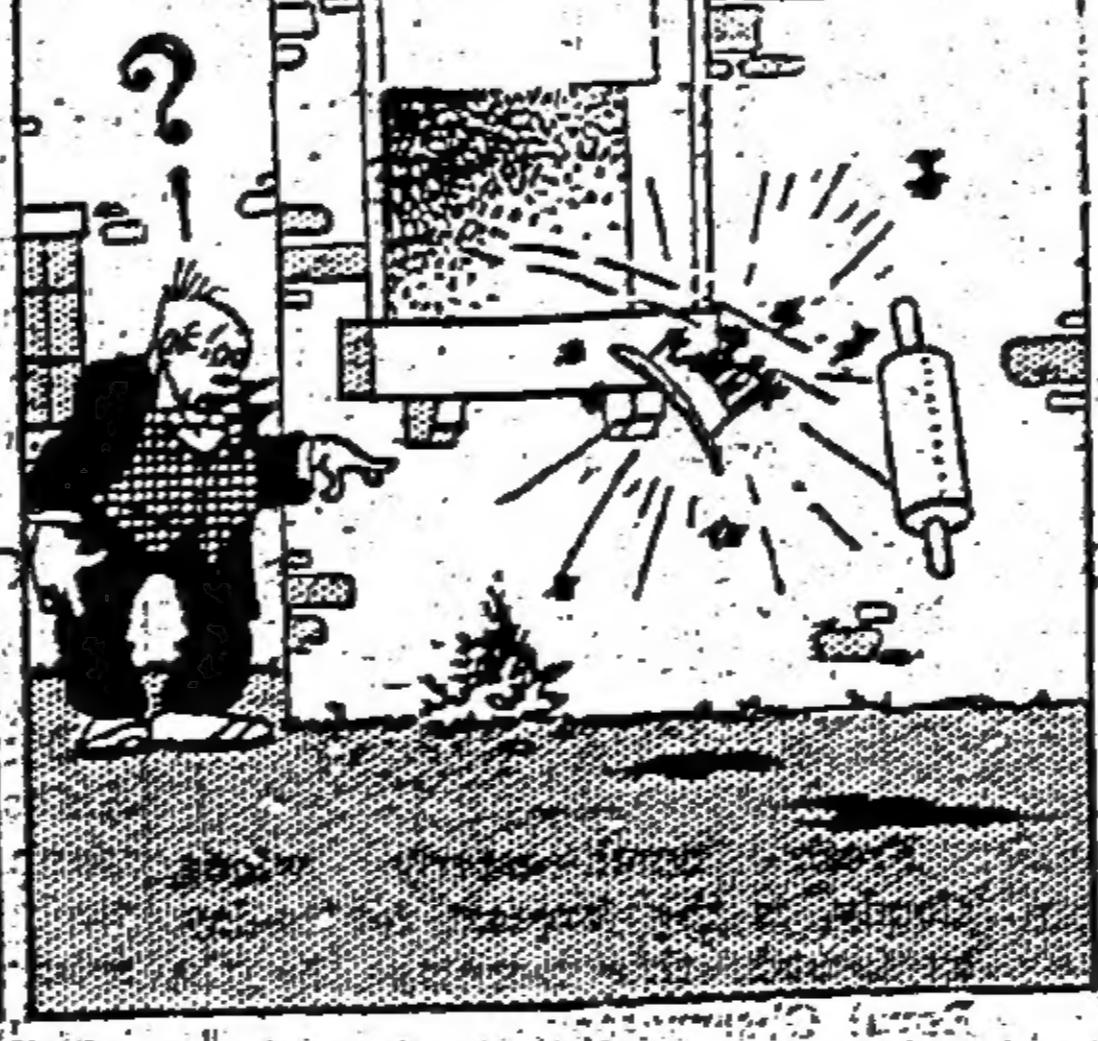
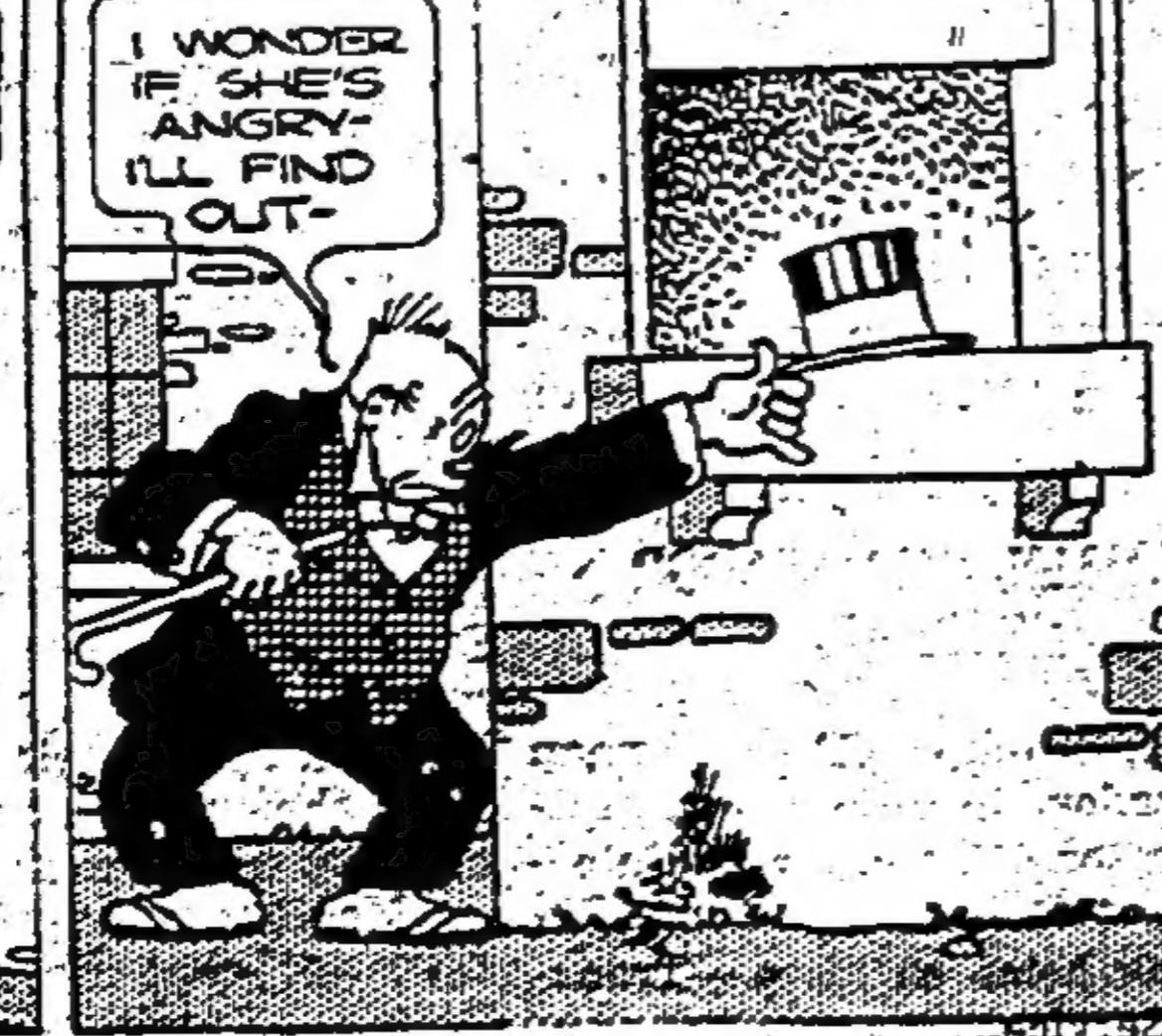


(Left) One of the members of the five CCC youths adrift on an ice floe in Cape Cod Bay is seen signalling to the plane from which this picture was taken just before the Coast Guard rescued them. An army bomber dropped food and blankets down to them. Two boys on another ice cake were also rescued.



Miss Marjorie Williamson, aged 16, soprano of Cardiff, Wales, arrives in New York to accept a radio contract. She won the medal of honour at the famous Welsh Eisteddfod festival last summer.

Bringing Up Father



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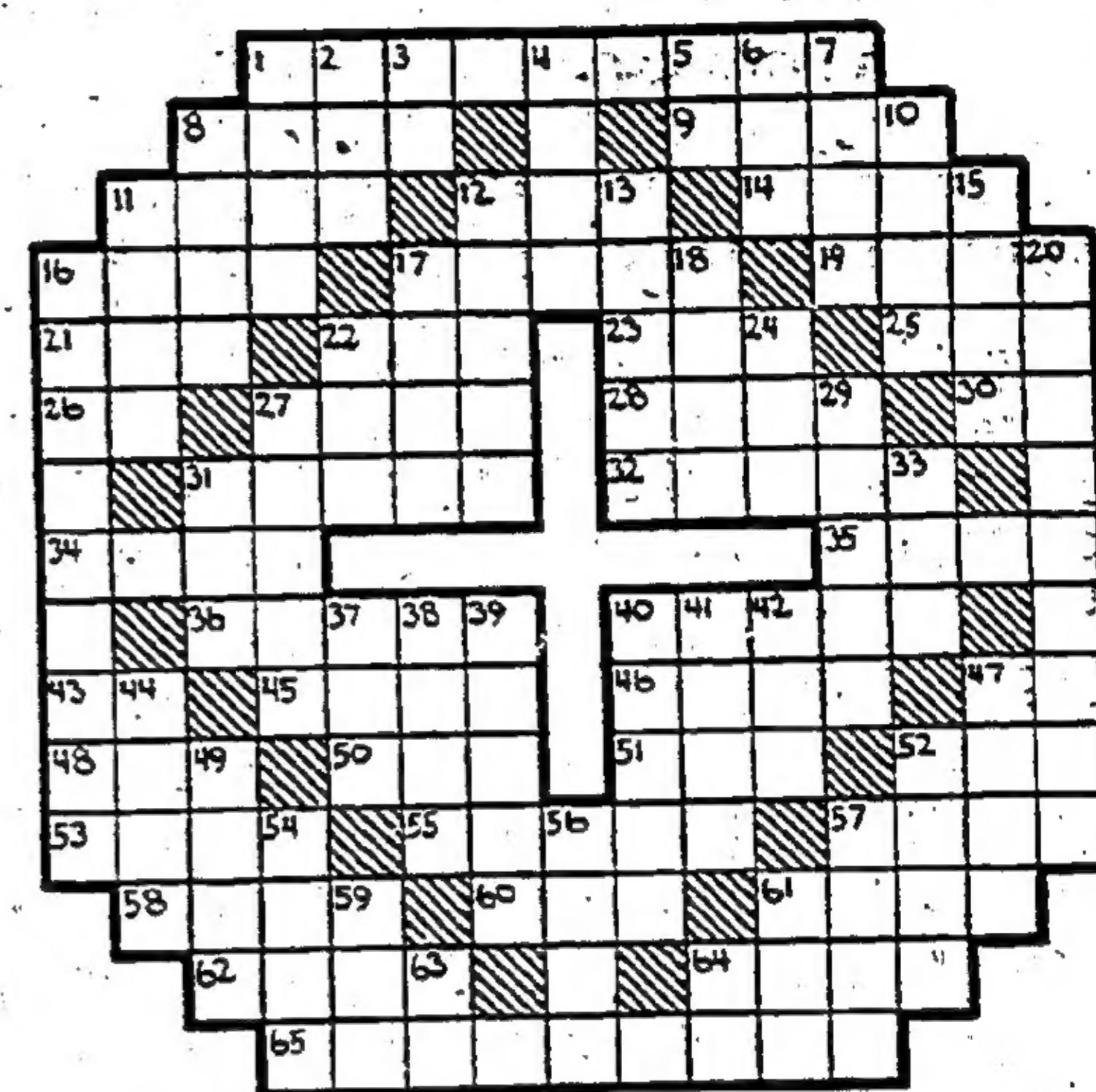
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Warrant
2-Throw
3-Egg-shaped
7-5 flower
12-Full of moisture
14-English school
16-Grate
17-To furnish food
19-Clip
21-Science
22-Small bed
23-Born
25-South African antelope
26-Pronoun
27-4
28-Girl's name
30-Comparative suffix
31-Ocean vessel
32-Rub out
33-Affirm
35-Personal interest
36-Put off
40-Guide
43-Treasurer (abbr.)
45-Rescue
46-Tinge
47-Pronoun

VERTICAL (Cont.)

15-Edge
16-Wildly
17-Fruit of the pine
18-Erect
19-Cleansers
22-Food container
24-Epoch
27-Fathers
29-Item in one's property
31-Ever (contr.)
32-Distant
33-Wrong doing
34-Pay back
40-Scatter
41-Binds
42-Terminate
44-A thoroughfare
47-A rodent
48-Matured
52-Nude
54-Want
56-Not any
57-Turf
58-Prefix, Before
61-Pastry
62-Plural suffix
63-Paid (abbr.)

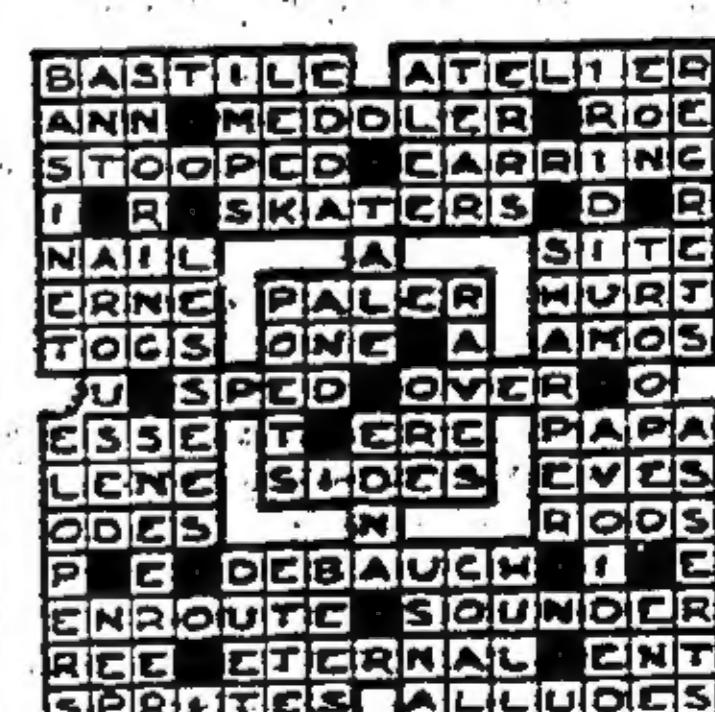
The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue

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Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$50 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions, should the tender be accepted.

Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

A. G. W. TICKLE,
Director of Public Works.
Hong Kong, 13th March, 1936.

GENERAL NOTICES

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the six months ending 31st MARCH, 1936, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY ON THAT DATE.

THE REGISTER OF DEBENTURES will be closed from MONDAY, the 23rd MARCH, to MONDAY, the 30th MARCH, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

O. EAGER,
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Hong Kong, 13th March, 1936.

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Company Meetings

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on FRIDAY, the 27th March, 1936, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1935.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th March 1936, both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 6th March, 1936.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor,

on MONDAY, the 30th day of March, 1936, at 12 o'clock, Noon, to receive the Directors' Report,

and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935, to elect

Directors and Auditors and to

transact such other business as

may be properly transacted at an

Ordinary General Meeting of the

Company.

And Notice is Further Given

that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED, from the 23rd

to the 30th Day of March, 1936,

both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

Hong Kong, 19th March, 1936.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Ordinary Yearly

Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong

Kong, on MONDAY, 30th March,

1926, at Noon, for consideration of

the Directors' Report and State-

ment of Accounts for the year

ending 31st December, 1925.

The Share Register and Trans-

fer Books will be closed from the

21st to 30th March, 1926, both

days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of

Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 12th March, 1926.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL

GENERAL MEETING of

Shareholders will be held at the

Offices of Masera, Dodwell & Co.,

Ltd., Hong Kong and Shanghai

Bank Building, on WEDNESDAY,

8th April 1936 at noon for the pur-

pose of receiving the report of the

General Managers together with

a Statement of Accounts to 31st

December 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Company will be CLOSED from

28th March to 8th April 1936,

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1936.

BRIDGE NOTES

Beautiful When
Faultless
By Ely Culbertson

A genuine squeeze is a beautiful sight to behold, particularly when a player recognises it and executes it faultlessly. Far more often, however, it is value to make use of the squeeze play's twin brother, known usually as "Forcing Discard." When declarer has a long trump suit, he will often find by leading out the entire suit, he may seriously embarrass his opponents and in their discard may gain information which will aid him to play the hand correctly. They may throw away cards which would have been of value to them in winning tricks at an earlier stage. Many a hopeless hand has been made because after a seven or eight-card suit had been run down, an impossible trick appeared out of nowhere.

West, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

S. J. 10 2	
H. 9 6 5	
D. 6	
C. K 8 7 5 4 3	
S. A K Q 9 8 6 4 N. 5 5	
H. 3	W. E. H. A 10 8 4 2
D. 10 8 4	S. D. A. J 7 5 3
C. J 2	C. Q. 9
S. 7 3	
E. K. Q. J 7.	
D. K. Q. 9 2	
C. A. 10 6	

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

West North East South
3S (1) Pass 4S (2) Pass (3)
Pass Pass

1—An ideal three-spade bid since the hand can almost surely win seven tricks, yet has meagre possibilities in defence.

2—After a pre-emptive bid a raise may be given without trump support. Had his side tricks not been Aces, East would have been unable to make this bid, but with two Aces in his hand and at least seven winners in West's hand, he knew that game was possible.

3—The pre-emptive bidding had effectively shut out South's strong hand.

North opened the six of diamonds and it seemed West could not win more than the nine top tricks. Two clubs and two diamonds seemed as good as lost. West was not averse to a little hard work, however, and set out to play the hand to the best of his ability. On the opening diamond lead, he played low and South won with the Queen. West false-carded by dropping the eight of diamonds, his object being to convince South that North held a doubleton in that suit. The false-card worked: South was afraid to return the suit with the Ace staring him in the face and shifted to the King of hearts. This was won by dummy's Ace. The maximum still seemed to be nine tricks.

West however made the most of his chances by running seven rounds of spades. The last of these reduced the dummy to the ten of hearts, two diamonds and the Queen of clubs. South had to choose his final discard from his remaining five cards, which were the Queen of hearts, King and nine of diamonds, and the Ace-ten of clubs. If he threw away the diamond, his King would drop under the Ace and the Jack and diamonds would be the tenth trick. A heart discard would be equally suicidal, and a small club, while it would preserve the Ace, would block the suit so that if declarer threw him in with a club and allowed him to cash his Queen of hearts, he would have the major diamond tenace in dummy with which to win the last two tricks.

South's only remaining chance was to throw away his Ace of clubs and hope that North might have full control of that suit. This play failed, however, since West was able to lead a club and North had to take the King. Now if North led a heart, South would have to get in and be in the same end position; if North led a club, declarer would win the tenth trick with his Jack, and North could not lead a diamond, having none. West proved that though actually a squeeze did not exist, by forcing discards he gained the same end.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 12th March, 1926.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.

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Hong Kong, 18th March, 1936.



Sylvia Sydney rises to new heights in "Mary Burns, Fugitive," which is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"BREAK OF HEARTS" — KING'S THEATRE

Really soul-stirring love scenes have been enacted for the camera between Katharine Hepburn and Charles Boyer in this picture. While Boyer, idol of the French stage and screen, has been hailed as one of the great lovers of films, Hepburn has never before been cast in a role that offered her so great an opportunity to display her talent for romantic love.

"Break of Hearts" tells the story of a young composer who marries a famous maestro, but leaves him when she believes that her love is no longer necessary to him. His plunge to the depths of despair and his regeneration through her love make an enthralling picture. It is a Pandro S. Berman production for RKO Radio.

"MARY BURNS, FUGITIVE" — QUEEN'S THEATRE

A newcomer's first impressions of Hollywood are contradictory ones, according to Alan Baxter, new screen find, who makes his film debut in this Paramount film starring Sylvia Sydney.

"The most interesting thing to me was finding how pictures are made, as I had never been to Hollywood before. The technique is very different from that of the stage but it is more absorbing, although I am just as much interested in writing as in acting," Baxter explained.

In this picture Baxter is cast as a youthful, handsome well-educated ex-football hero who turns public enemy. His love for Sylvia Sidney involves her innocently in the clutches of the law, during a series of exciting episodes as a girl fugitive from justice. She meets a brilliant, but blind scientist. They are mutually attracted to each other, but "Mary Burns" had become a headache. Haunted by her past, she roams the country until an exciting and swift moving chain of events brings her experiences to a smashing climax.

(Radio will be found on Page 11.)

THE INFORMER — ORIENTAL THEATRE

Cinema Notes

"THE INFORMER" — ORIENTAL THEATRE

Superbly enacted by a brilliant cast, this picture brings vividly to life the characters and scenes of Liam O'Flaherty's widely-read and much-discussed novel.

Against the colourful background of Dublin, the picture has

the troubled years just after the

World War as its period.

Nolan, a human derelict, "in-

forms" on his hunted pal, Frankie McPhillip, for a price.

With \$20 in his pocket and his

treachery on his conscience, Gypo

becomes alternately tortured by

fear, crazed by remorse, and ex-

Sporting Page

ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND CLASH TO-DAY FOR CALCUTTA CUP



ATHLETIC FAVOURED FOR TO-DAY

Meet S. China "B" At Caroline Hill

VARSITY SHOULD BEAT THE RADIO

Some very exciting football should be witnessed at Caroline Hill this afternoon, when the Athletic, who are in the running for the runners-up position in the First Division, clash with South China "B", whom they should beat.

Preceding this match, the University will meet the Radio in the Second Division, when the former team should secure both points.

South China "B" are hoping to be able to field their best team, but this will make very little difference to their opponents, unless they can show an appreciable improvement in their play.

They were exceedingly lucky to beat St. Joseph's last Wednesday, when it was only due to the fact that the latter lost one of their players in the closing stages of the game which hampered them in their vigorous efforts to equalise.

Pau To Return?

Pau Ka-ping, South China's finest custodian, will probably make a return to the game after several weeks of illness; his reappearance between the sticks will be welcomed by all.

Leung In-chan, probably South China "B"s finest right-back, is also likely to make his first appearance after an absence of several weeks. He should considerably improve and strengthen their defence.

Tsui As Pivot

The Athletic will be fielding Tsui Ah-fai, their brilliant pivot, for the first time in many months, and he should prove a valuable acquisition as there is a possibility that Ho Kar-keung will be leading the South China "B" attack.

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K.C.C. LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Junior Championship Starts To-day

WEEK-END PROGRAMME

The Kowloon Cricket Club's annual lawn tennis tournament commences this afternoon at 2.30 p.m. with eight matches in the First Round of the Men's Singles Junior Championship, while to-morrow will see the commencement of the Senior Championship, when E. C. Fincher, the holder, meets F. Grose.

The following is to-morrow's programme:-

MEN'S SINGLES JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

(Saturday, 2.30 p.m.)

A. E. Perry v. W. Paterson.

C. A. Blue v. E. S. Capell.

F. Goodwin v. A. G. Phillips.

A. Krilovsky v. A. Kaluzhany.

N. A. E. Mackay v. R. E. Lee.

J. Thompson v. L. E. Kirby.

J. S. Smith v. F. A. Broadbridge.

N. J. Blandford v. W. Gittins.

LADIES' SINGLES HANDICAP

First Round (Saturday 4.15 p.m.)

Mrs. S. Steinfeld (-3.6) v. Mrs.

Blandford (-3.6).

Mrs. Stokes (-15.3) v. Mrs. McCaw

(-30).

Mrs. A. J. Kew (-15.3) v. Mrs. Old

(-3.6).

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

(Sunday 10 a.m.)

F. Grose v. E. C. Fincher (Holder).

A. Crawford v. W. C. Heng.

LADIES' DOUBLES HANDICAP

(Sunday 10 a.m.)

Miss Stokes and Mrs. McCaw

(-30).

Mrs. Goodwin and Mrs. Fincher

(-3.6) v. Mrs. Old and Mrs. Stanfield (-3.6).

Mrs. Blandford and Mrs. Hosford

(-15.3) v. Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Orr

(-2.6).

MEN'S "A" CLASS HANDICAP

(Sunday 10 a.m.)

J. Thompson (scr.) v. N. J. Blandford (+1.6).

MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP

(Sunday 3 p.m.)

F. Goodwin and Mrs. E. C. Fincher

(-2.6) v. A. W. Ramsey and Mrs. Kew (-15.3).

C. E. Watson and Mrs. Lamerton

(-3.6) v. Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Kirby

(-3.6).

A. E. P. Guest and Miss M. Griffiths (-30) v. V. H. Freeman and Mrs. Hosford (-3.6).

W. Hirst and Mrs. Rathmell (scr.)

v. A. E. Perry and Mrs. Stokes

(-3.6).

M. Pugh and Miss V. Allen (-3.6)

v. E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Goodwin

(-3.6).

J. S. Smith and Mrs. Old (-3.6) v.

A. G. Phillips and Mrs. Orr

(-3.6).

S. A. Gray and Miss A. MacKenzie

(-15.3) v. C. J. Tauchi and Mrs.

Blandford (-3.6).

NEW INNOVATION AT STOKE POLES

Stoke Poles club have decided to pay their annual competition for the Golf Balls of Stoke this year as a one-day competition by stroke play over 36 holes, on Saturday, July 11.

LADIES' GOLF MEETING

Distribution Of Prizes

The annual spring meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, Ladies' Section, was brought to a conclusion on Thursday when Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie, the Captain, distributed the prizes. Before doing so, however, she thanked all those who had helped to make the meeting a successful one and congratulated the various prize-winners.

Results of competitions were as follows:

Championship—Winner, Mrs. D. L. Newbigging; runner-up, Mrs. P. S. Cassidy.

Captain's Cup—Winner, Mrs. W. S. Hillier; runner-up, Mrs. Webb.

Race Cup—Winner, Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie; runner-up, Mrs. Newbigging.

Rose Cup—Winner, Mrs. N. McGowan; runner-up, Mr. Hillier.

Tartag Cup—Winner, Mrs. Hillier; runner-up, Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie.

Bogey (New Course)—Mrs. Sheldon. (Two down).

Long-Driving—Mrs. N. Wilson, (193 yards).

Approaching—Mrs. Blake and Madame Jusserand (10 strokes).

Putting Pool—Madame Jusserand (16).

L. G. U. Medals, Scratch Score, Old Course—Mrs. N. Wilson (97).

L. G. U. Medals, Handicap Score, Old Course—Mrs. Hillier (98-17-82).

L. G. U. Medals, Scratch Score, New Course—Miss Stevenson (97).

L. G. U. Medals, Handicap Score, New Course—Mrs. C. B. Brown (100-31-69).

Tombstone (Prize presented by Mrs. C. H. Burton)—Mrs. Webb (on the 19th, fairway).

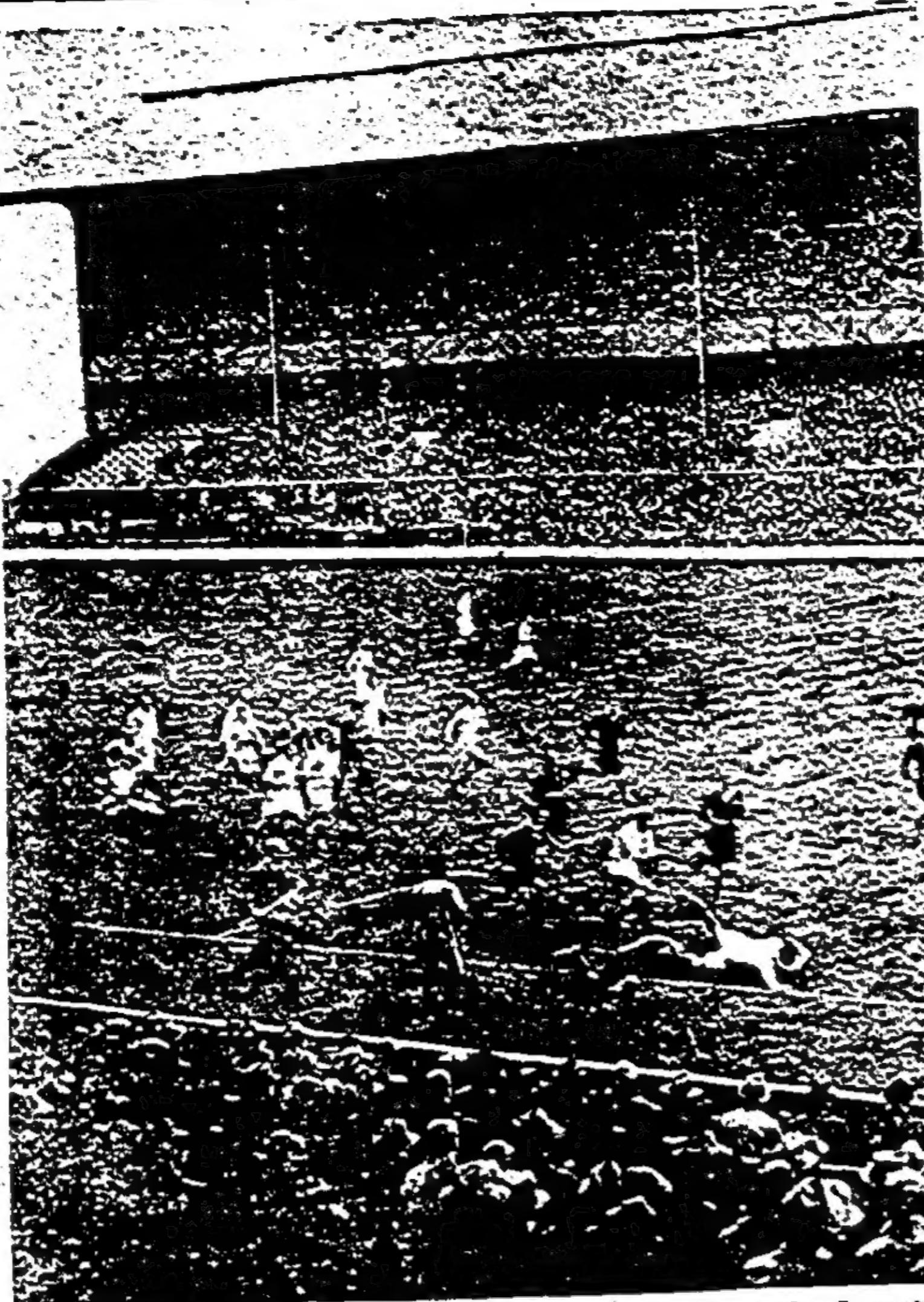
Tombstone Runner-Up (Prize presented by Mr. Hitchens)—Mrs. Simpson (Five feet from 18th hole).

Tombstone Hidden Prize—Mrs. C. W. E. Bishop.

Shanghai Four-some—Miss C. Crapnell and Miss F. M. Stevenson (88-13-76).

L. G. U. Silver Medal for 1935—Mrs. Gilmore.

L. G. U. Bronze Medal for 1935—Miss Drayson.



An exciting scene during one of the Rugby International matches played on the world-famous Twickenham ground, the scene of to-day's 47th encounter between England and Scotland in the Calcutta Cup.

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE CRICKET

R.A.M.C. Should Win From 'Varsity

FRIENDLY AT C.S.C.C.

Due to the fact that the majority of the League cricket matches in both divisions have been decided, and also that the Combined Manoeuvres will be held over the week-end, thus claiming the services of many of those who would otherwise be playing cricket, the programme for to-day is a very curtailed indeed, being confined to two matches—one League fixture between the R.A.M.C. and the University, and friendly between the Civil Service and the Recreio. Both these games are second division fixtures.

JOCK MCALVOY MATCHED WITH PETERSEN

BRITISH AND EMPIRE HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE TO BE AT STAKE

London, March 9.—Jock McAlvo, British middle-weight champion, who will meet John Henry Lewis, American holder of the world's light-heavy-weight crown, on April 7, to-day signed articles to meet Jack Petersen, British and Empire heavy-weight champion, at the Empress Stadium on April 23. Both Petersen's titles will be at stake. Jack McAlvo was outpointed by Lewis last Friday night in his re-arranged bout for the world's cruiserweight championship.

SCOTLAND LEAD IN SERIES

THE outstanding event in to-day's Home sports programme is the Calcutta Cup Rugby encounter between England and Scotland on the famous Twickenham ground, the scene of many an epic struggle. Some idea of the keen competition between England and Scotland may be gained from the fact that of the 57 matches played to date, Scotland have won 24, England 23 and 10 have been drawn.

It was on March 27, 1871, that the first International Rugby match between England and Scotland was played at Edinburgh, when Scotland won by a goal and a try (8 points) to a try (3 points), but it was not until 1880, that George Alexander James Rothery, one of the founder members of the Calcutta Rugby Football Club, presented the handsome trophy of Indian workmanship to the International Board for competition between England and Scotland.

England are fielding one of their strongest sides for several seasons this afternoon. As their weakness in previous matches has been in the pack, there have been five alterations in this department following the debacle at Dublin. Toft, of Lancashire, however, is the only new "cap".

Scotland are at present holding the wooden spoon, but if they should surprise England they will avoid the last position.

England: H. G. Owen Smith; Prince Obolensky, R. A. Gerrard, P. Crauner and H. S. Seve; P. Candler and R. C. Gedney (capt); Dicks; Toft, Longland, Dunleavy, Webb, Weston, Brook and Bolton.

Scotland: Kerr; Shaw, Lind, Dick and Fyfe; C. F. Grieve and Logan; R. M. Grieve, Cottington, Drift, Beattie, Burnett, Cooper, Warres and Weston.

Wales won the Rugby International series last Saturday when they defeated Ireland by a penalty goal taken by Jenkins late in the first half.

The following have been the results during the past 10 seasons:

1927 Scotland 21-13
1928 England 6-0
1929 Scotland 12-6
1930 Drawn 0-0
1931 Scotland 22-19
1932 England 16-3
1933 Scotland 8-0
1934 England 5-0
1935 Scotland 10-7

TABLE TO DATE

P. W. L. D. F. A. P. T.	EARLIER RESULTS
Wales 3 2 0	1 16 3 5
Ireland 3 2 1	9 15 10 4
England 2 0 1	1 3 6 1
Scotland 2 0 2	0 7 23 0
	Total 10 4 6 2 42 42 10

SCOTLAND

Wales drew with England at

Swansea 0-0; Scotland lost to

Wales at Edinburgh by 3-13; Ir-

land beat England at Dublin by

6-3 and Scotland lost to Ireland at

Edinburgh by 4-10; Wales beat

Ireland at Cardiff.

FEUD ENDED

The battle ended a feud between Kearns and Dempsey that existed for 13 years, during which time neither spoke to the other.

Before the bout started, Dempsey jumped into the ring and with quick steps went over to Kearns' corner and warmly shook hands, greeting him with: "How's tricks, Doc?"

Kearns smiled and mumbled, "O.K., Jack." Then they posed for pictures with their hands clasped.

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NEAR AND FAR

GARLAND FOR LEATHER
A gallant last wicket stand by
Leather and Oxenham enabled the Australians to beat Madras by one wicket. The finish was most exciting and Leather was garlanded by the crowd.

With 73 runs to make to avert defeat, Leather joined Oxenham, who though limping badly had been keeping his end up pluckily. Evidently thinking the position hopeless, the fast bowler commenced by lashing out at the bowling, but he soon steadied down and playing resolute cricket ably seconded by Oxenham, defied all the best efforts of the home bowlers and carried his side to victory.

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GIRL CRICKETER SCORES

142 NOT OUT

A new record for Melbourne A has been set up by Miss Peggy Antonio, the nineteen-year-old International girl cricketer, who scored 142 not out when playing for Raymond against Clarendon in the Victorian Women's Cricket Association Grade A competition here.

She had previously beaten the old record with a score of 134 not out a few weeks previously.

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PRESENTATION TO A. W. CARR

MEMBERS of the Nottinghamshire C.C.C. at their annual meeting recently showed their appreciation of the services of A. W. Carr to the eleven from 1910 to 1934 by presenting him with a crystal casket and the cricket bat, suitably mounted, with which he played his last innings at Trent Bridge. A silver salver was presented to Mrs. Carr.

In making the presentation Sir Julien Cahn, the retiring president, said there had been flood tides of controversy which had rolled up to Trent Bridge, and might, for the moment, have hidden Mr. Carr's records from the public eye; but Nottinghamshire members now recognised they were applauding a long and brilliant innings, full of dash and courage.

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MACARTNEY'S CHOICE

In the course of a special article in "The Hindu," summing up the Australian cricket tour of India, C. G. Macartney gives his choice of the sixteen Indian players to tour England as follows:— Syed Wazir Ali, C. K. Nayudu, Amarnath, Merchant, C. S. Nayudu, Nissar, Baqua Jilani, Amir Elahi, Mehermuni, Amarsingh, Mustaq Ali, L. P. Jai, Bannerji, Hindlekar, Havewala, and the Yuvraji of Patiala.

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LORD HAWKE'S MESSAGE

Lord Hawke, speaking at the Yorkshire County Cricket Club's annual meeting referred to the Indian tour of England this summer. "I understand," he said "that there has been some dissension among the leading players and others who are making the final selection of the side difficult. My message to those in authority is that we trust their difficulties may be quickly overcome and that we may be able to welcome a completely united and representative Indian side in May."

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INDIA'S REQUEST REFUSED

THE Cricket Board of Control of India opined that the new B.W. rule is detrimental to the morale of the Indian players but the M.C.C. after a full consideration have expressed their reluctant inability to comply with India's request during the coming tour.

In regard to Lord Tennyson's team's visit to India in 1936-37 the Board approved the principle of foreign visits and felt that such a tour would be more acceptable in 1937-38.

The Board has not appointed a Vice-Captain but has empowered the Captain with the choice of appointing Captains for the respective matches in England.

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LANGRIDGE 8 FOR 25
SOME brilliant bowling by James Langridge the Sussex all-rounder, who took eight wickets for 25 runs, was the outstanding feature of a remarkable day's cricket in the match between the M.C.C. and Hawke's Bay which was left drawn. He bowled only nine overs.

There was no play on the second day owing to rain, but the players made up for lost time on the third day. No fewer than 24 wickets fell for 360 runs during the course of the day.

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INDIA GAINS LEAD

RAIN delayed the start of play in the final unofficial Test match between All-India and the Australians at Madras.

About 1200 people were present when the Australians resumed their innings. They quickly lost the wickets of Ellis and McCartney, and six were down for 73.

A bright knock of 35 not out by F. Mair, scored in even time, improved the position of the Australians, but the innings closed for 162. All-India thus gaining a first innings lead of 27. Nissar took five wickets for 61 and Amar Singh five for 54.

The Indians fared none too well when they went in a second time and at tea four wickets were down and only 56 runs were on the board.

When stumps were drawn All-India were 103 for nine.

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WARNER AND NEW LBW RULE

M. R. P. F. Warner, speaking at the annual meeting of the Middlesex County Club at Lord's recently, described the experimental lbw rule as a great success.

"It made cricket a better and livelier game," he said. His opinion was that the experiment would become a permanent rule not only in this country, but wherever the game was played.

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BOSTOCK HILL IN FORM

THE Victoria Institution met T the Non-Benders XI in an innings cricket match at Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S. recently and defeated them by 26 runs, after an exciting finish.

The Schoolboys batted first and were all out at 145. Jastwan Singh (42), and Hera Singh (25), were the principal scorers. A. J. Bostock Hill was the most successful bowler, taking five wickets for 56 runs.

The Non-Benders replied with 114; Bostock Hill was again outstanding and contributed 68 runs which included 13 fours. He gave away a difficult chance on the leg when at 33 and remained at the wickets for over 80 minutes.

Special mention must be made of the effective bowling of the Schoolboys; Anandarajah took four wickets for 9 runs, the first two wickets being taken in succession in his first over. Sathivelu's bowling was also effective and he bagged four wickets at six runa piece.

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OVERHEARD AT THE NINETEENTH

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A RETURN VISIT

American amateur boxers have been invited to visit England for a returned "Golden Gloves" contest against Great Britain in the first week of May. The British team won the event in America last year by eight victories to three.

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THE CHINA MAIL

OPEN SINGLES (Second Round)

J. W. Leonard v Wong Fuk-ham.
H. Owen Hughes v Lee Hua Ngok.
A. V. Gossen v H. Y. Ho.

OPEN DOUBLES (Second Round)

S. A. and H. D. Romjhna, v H. A. Barros and J. Gomes.

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES

(First Round)

R. H. McClellan, sen. v J. C. Poole, sen.

G. Marselle — 2/6 v H. J. Armstrong — 5/6.

V. R. Gordon sen. v P. Scoones — 5/6.

G. Robertson sen. v W. Wooding — 2/6.

E. J. McMullen sen. v A. D. Humphreys — 4/6.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

(Second Round)

P. H. Scoones v H. J. Armstrong — 5/6.

T. A. Pearce v Paul Kong — 5/6.

OPEN DOUBLES (Second Round)

M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo v A. V. Gossen and A. V. Remedios — 5/6.

Lee Wai-tong and Lek Ding-cheung v J. W. Leonard and Y. Hachizuma — 5/6.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

(Second Round)

P. H. Scoones and A. L. Sullivan — 5/6 v L. Foster and L. T. Hide — 5/6.

WEDNESDAY

OPEN SINGLES (Second Round)

P. H. Scoones v H. J. Armstrong — 5/6.

E. J. Pearce v Paul Kong — 5/6.

OPEN DOUBLES (Second Round)

T. A. Pearce and L. Golding v In Tak-cheuk and In Tak-lam — 5/6.

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES

(First Round)

J. N. Grace sen. v E. F. Buttress — 4/6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(First Round)

B. M. Dean and G. E. R. Divett — 15/2 v R. M. Wood and G. Polgate sen.

THURSDAY

OPEN SINGLES (Third Round)

Tai Wai Pui v S. A. Gray — 5/6.

Tai Yan Pui v In Tak-cheuk — 5/6.

OPEN DOUBLES (Third Round)

P. H. Kwock and S. W. Liang v Paul Kong and Lai Kwong-tsun — 5/6.

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES

(First Round)

J. N. Grace sen. v E. F. Buttress — 4/6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(First Round)

B. M. Dean and G. E. R. Divett — 15/2 v R. M. Wood and G. Polgate sen.

FRIDAY

OPEN SINGLES (Third Round)

E. F. Buttress and S. W. Liang — 5/6.

OPEN DOUBLES (Third Round)

T. A. Pearce and L. Golding v In Tak-cheuk and In Tak-lam — 5/6.

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES

(First Round)

J. N. Grace sen. v E. F. Buttress — 4/6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(First Round)

B. M. Dean and G. E. R. Divett — 15/2 v R. M. Wood and G. Polgate sen.

ST. JOHN'S

OPEN SINGLES (13th Round)

J. N. Grace sen. v E. F. Buttress — 4/6.

OPEN DOUBLES (13th Round)

B. M. Dean and G. E. R. Divett — 15/2 v R. M. Wood and G. Polgate sen.

OPEN DOUBLES (13th Round)

T. A. Pearce and L. Golding v In Tak-cheuk and In Tak-lam — 5/6.

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES

(First Round)

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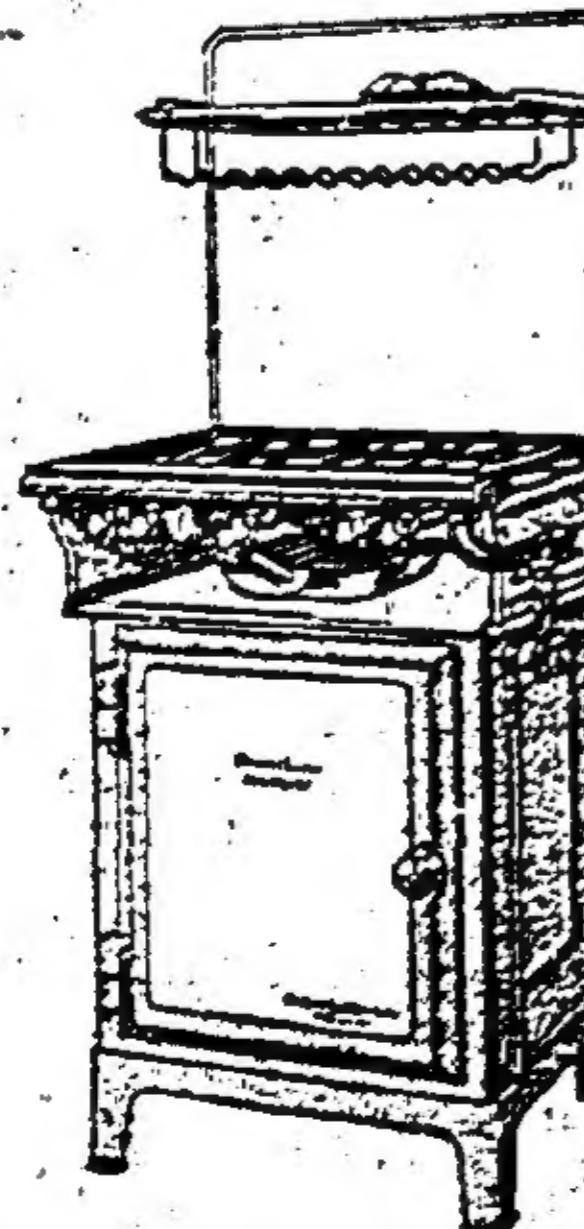
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The Civil Services

In introducing his drastic motion to the Legislative Council on Thursday, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo may, in the Hon. Colonial Secretary's pithy phrases, have been propounding "fundamental fallacies" and "complete non sequiturs." But he was also giving verbal and courageous expression to a very widely-held belief among the non-official sections of the public: that the Hong Kong civil service, in the matter of its personnel, their emoluments, their conditions of service and their number, accounts for too great a percentage of the revenues of this Colony. No one has ever seriously questioned the loyalty, integrity and efficiency of the civil service as a whole. Indeed, to do so would be manifestly to run counter to the obvious facts, which are that the Hong Kong Civil Service is composed of an honourable and painstaking body of men; that the social services of this Colony attain a high standard and can bear comparison with those of any other; that the service has attracted in the past, and will continue to do so in the future, men of real attainments, integrity and worth. But in admitting all this the man in the street will still hold the opinions so ably expressed by Mr. Lo. A civil service is a necessary part of any community in a law-abiding land; but the ratio of civil servants here to the rest of the community—and especially the ratio between the cost of that service and the total revenues of the Colony—will continue to strike the ordinary man as too heavy. He will continue to hold the idea that there are a number of "cushy" jobs going, of which the holders do not pull their proportionate weight. He will see, especially in the clerical services, a super-abundance of clerks, secretaries and what-not doing the same amount of work, and drawing far more money for it, as any commercial office could do with half the staff. He will see staffs infinitely better paid and housed, and with all sorts of "perks" in the way of allowances, leave conditions and above all, pensions, than obtain in the commercial houses. He will see a body of men engaged for life in not too arduous duties, adhering limpet-like to a career from which nothing, but the grossest incompetence or downright dishonesty, such as would render them liable to prosecution in a court of law with the certainty of guilt being established, can remove them. All these things, individually and collectively, help to colour the reactions of the man in the street to the civil service. They may be accepted without comment in times of plenty; but in times of stress, when belts have to be tightened all round, he begins to examine them with sharper criticism and to ask whether the game is not worth the candle.

It is for the Government to show that these criticisms are groundless—or at least exaggerated. With the utmost respect, we are of the opinion that the Hon. the Colonial Secretary's speech in reply to the motion failed to do so. To at least one point in it the general public here will take violent exception—the statement that "the Government again is unable to agree that the Colony cannot, at the appropriate time, stand the strain of extra taxation." The public feels rather strongly on this

EXPLANATION OF
TO-DAY'S
CARTOON

The Iceberg Paradox

THE waters nearest the iceberg are warmest. The reason for that is that the iceberg, by reason of its temperature, draws towards itself constantly the warmer surface waters of the surrounding sea. As a result, the iceberg is constantly surrounded by a belt of warm water, which it cools, repels and replaces by another warmer stratum.

CHEERIO CLUB FIXTURES

Cheero Club arrangements for next week are as follows:—On Tuesday next, the weekly whisky drive will be held at 8.30 p.m.; admission 50 cents each, which includes refreshments. On Wednesday next there will be the tea dance from 5 to 7.30 p.m.; admission 40 cents, which includes tea.

On Thursday a bridge and mah-jongg drive will be held, beginning at 8 p.m.; admission 50 cents, which includes light refreshments.

point, so far as we can gather, and with good reason. The Colonial Secretary made mention of the assessed tax at 17 per cent, in comparison with Singapore's 24 per cent. He also stated that here there is no income tax, the duty on whisky and gin is one-sixth of the duty in the United Kingdom, and on cigarettes proportionately even less. This may be so; but the relevant point surely is to compare the *per capita* wealth of the two communities before these comparisons can be moot to the matter in argument. We are unable to find any figures relating to this matter; but we should be very much surprised indeed to find that they compare in anything like similarity. The huge middle class which here, as elsewhere, provides the general mass of revenues, is not concerned with income tax and has but the briefest interest in duties on whisky and gin, directly. The argument surely is that in the indirect form of rents, the cost of commodities, public services, entertainments, etc., the middle-class public is the indirect milkcow which provides the bulk of the revenue, and that these other taxes form an enormous drain on the resources of that part of the community least able to afford it. Additional taxation, therefore, is surely out of the question at the present time.

In his point about Mr. Lo apparently contemplating a "static colony," surely the Hon. the Colonial Secretary is erecting a smokescreen across a very simple question. Mr. Lo did not imply that the growth of the Colony is likely to cease or has already done so. His point was merely that, taking the present state of the Colony's finances into account, it cannot afford the civil service it supports *at present*—a very different contention, with which public opinion, as represented by the Unofficial Members of the Council, is unanimously in agreement.

His Excellency the Governor's remarks seem to us to have hit the situation off entirely. He implicitly and clearly recognised the value of Mr. Lo's two main points: firstly, that staffs must be kept at the minimum compatible with efficiency; and secondly, that the percentage of local recruits must be kept at the maximum so compatible. If these points are essentially kept in mind in all matters pertaining to the recruiting to the civil service, Mr. Lo's main objectives in bringing the motion will have been attained. In any case, nothing can detract from the enormous value of the whole debate in airing very real grievances and justifying the trust imposed by the public in the Unofficials generally. Mr. Lo has made himself a forcible mouthpiece of public opinion; he has clearly demonstrated to the authorities that expenditure should be curbed; and in publicly and painstakingly advising the Government to cut its coat severely according to its cloth, he has enunciated an axiom which the Government would do well to ponder deeply and keep always in mind.

Here
There
and
Everywhere.

AMBASSADEUR-COMPOSER
Lady Clerk, whose new ballet was broadcast from Paris last month, is the wife of the British Ambassador in Paris and must be accounted the most versatile woman in diplomacy.

She is an accomplished painter whose work has been praised in Berlin. As a philosopher she is an authority on Plotinus.

Her other gifts include the power of healing by the laying on of hands and a remarkable ability for taming birds. She can imitate almost any bird-call.

Her musical accomplishments are less substantial. She is not a composer in the strict sense of the word. The orchestration of her compositions is done by a professional.

RANTAMS INTO GUARDS
The death of Mr. Alfred Bigland recalls a curious incident of the War.

Only a few weeks after war began thousands of young men who wanted to fight had been rejected because they were not tall enough. Alfred Bigland, then M.P. for Birkenhead, was greatly concerned.

Though over six feet himself, he obtained permission to form a battalion of what he called the "Bantams."

The enlistments were so great that not one but several battalions had to be formed. Some of the very best of the men were miners.

When he was met a little later, however, Mr. Bigland professed to be dismayed. "Quite a number of my Bantams," he said, "are growing out of their uniforms. Army food and exercise have sent up their height, and I am seriously thinking of having some of them transferred to the Guards."

Your Daily Smile!

Sandy: "When is Annie McTavish goin' to let you marry her?"

Andy: "It's very uncertain. Some persons gave her a big box o' notes paper with her name printed on it. She won't get married till it's used up—an' she writes very few letters on account of the postage."

Bobby, who had just started school, was proudly telling his aunt, about his school work. She asked him a few questions which he could not answer correctly.

The country vicar was giving the shop girl a lift home in his car, and when he came to her house he set her down. The girl proceeded to thank him. "Oh, don't mention it," said the vicar. The girl blushed and then replied. "All right, m'm, the word."

Suing for divorce, a woman says she saw her husband twice in the three years since they were married. She should have hidden his gold clubs.

"JAPAN MUST FIGHT
BRITAIN"JAPANESE OFFICER ON
FUTURE POLICY

COMING STRUGGLE FOR COLONIES

THE time has come when we Japanese must drastically revise our opinions of England and the English. At the present day an Anglo-Japanese war is not the dream of a fool nor even an unreasonable hypothesis. It is inevitable unless either Japan stops the policy of expansion that she has been driven to adopt under the most severe pressure, or unless England, with her excessive number of colonies, abandons her policy of the preservation of the *status quo* in which she holds firmly what she has already and will relinquish nothing.

"The British Empire is on the down grade. England had better swallow her pride and make way."

These remarkable passages are contained in "Japan Must Fight Britain," by Lieut-Commander Tora Ishimaru, translated by Instructor-Captain G. V. Raymond, C.B.E., R.N. (retired).

Pacific Powers

The passages quoted are taken from the author's introduction, while on the last two pages of his book he says—

"Japan, England, and America are the three great Pacific Powers; harmony and co-operation between them will bring peace. If the Pacific should prove to be the scene of another world war, it will be because the influence and possessions of the three are not evenly balanced and because two of them, England and America, persist in endeavouring to have everything their own way at the expense of the third."

"A condition precedent to the preservation of peace is that England and America should give way and enable a balance to be maintained."

Germany's Cry Recalled

The following extracts give the main thesis of the book—

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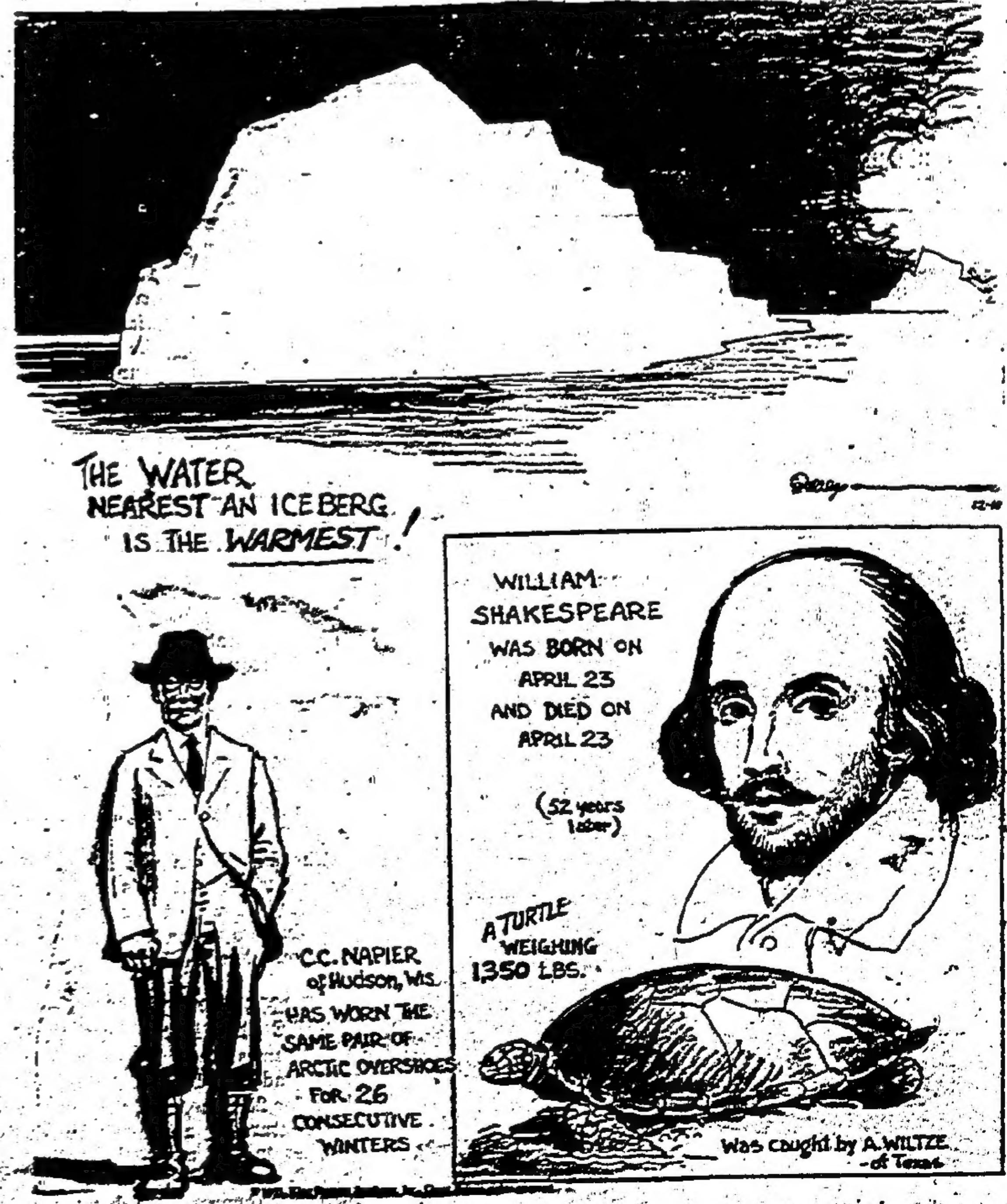
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"What has the above brief sketch suggested to those who have read it? Will any of them deny that the story of Germany and England is being repeated to-day by England and Japan?"

The book is illustrated by commercial and naval statistics, including photographs of Japanese and British battleships and cruisers. Several chapters are devoted to diplomacy and to strategy and tactics, including such points as the selection of moment for the commencement of hostilities when the main British Fleet is still in Europe, the creation of rebellion in Egypt, the blocking of the Suez Canal.

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



TOMMY ROSE BREAKS CAPE FLIGHT RECORD

To-day's Short Story

Only The Best For Mother

By Fannie Kilbourne

I WAS in old Mrs. Stoner's suite when Tom stepped in with a drawing-room reservation for her on a crack train to California, and it just made me boil. I knew the way she had always treated Tom, and I said to myself: "There's no justice in this world, the meanest women always seem to draw the most devoted children."

"Well, how do you like Mother's little nest?" Tom grinned.

Little nest — that suite must have been costing Tom at least twenty dollars a day! And there was a maid to boot.

When Tom was a skinny little shaver back in Centerville, with gaps in the front where his baby teeth had just come out, he used to come to our back door selling eggs. Then, as soon as he was big enough to carry the boxes, he would come delivering groceries for Hartshorn's, afternoons after school, and all day Saturdays when the other kids were roller-skating or playing Throw the Bye. His mother never thought he needed any time for fun.

MONDAY'S STORY

Monday's story will be "A Tale Of True Love," by I. Rakhmanov.

GIANT FLYING BOATS

Nearing Completion At Rochester

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He was an odd-looking youngster because his clothes were always too small. I used to give him our Jerry's things and, as he was just Jerry's size, by the time Jerry had outgrown them, they looked kind of comical on Tom. But he had to wear them, or anything else Mrs. Stoner could get hold of without paying for.

Heaven knows nobody blamed Mrs. Stoner; she was a widow and everybody thought, as poor as a church mouse. People near by died of the shock when the Centerville Trust Company failed and we found that Mrs. Stoner had lost a tidy little fortune. She'd been well fixed, better off than most of us, all along.

Just a miser she's been all these years. She'd never needed to be so mean to Tom.

It was funny to see her now sitting in a black velvet dress with a real diamond clip on it. The maid was hanging up a new mink coat that he had just bought her.

"A crazy waste of money," she said ingratiatingly. "I won't need it in California, and it will just be an expense all next summer in cold storage."

"Don't you worry about that, mother," Tom said. "I guess we can stand the raft. There's no reason why you shouldn't have one for coat—Sally's got four." Sally was Tom's wife.

"Sally enjoys being a fool. I don't," said Mrs. Stoner tartly.

But Tom didn't show any sign of resentment; just grinned at me and told the maid to call room service and have tea sent up.

"Nobody wants any tea, it's too near dinner-time," said Mrs. Stoner. I did want tea and I was glad when Tom didn't pay any attention to her, just told the maid to tell 'em to see that the English muffins were hot and to send plenty of marmalade.

"They don't need to send any marmalade at twenty-five cents a portion," said his mother. "I keep a jar of it up here."

Tom winked at me.

"I'll bet you've sneaked in some more cheap domestic stuff," he said. "You don't want to serve a guest anything but the best imported."

Talk about returning good for evil! Tom Stoner had never had a "guest" of his own in his life until he got away from Centerville. The other town youngsters used to have birthday parties and company for supper Sunday nights and such things, but Tom could never say much as give a schoolmate an apple.

Not that the kids ever wanted to go to his house. Mrs. Stoner was so cross they were all afraid of her. They said she used to whale the life out of Tom for nothing at all.

Once he got an extra job she didn't know about and saved up



Flight-Lieutenant Tommy Rose, who recently broke the records for the flights from England to the Cape and back, also won the King's Air Race last year. Our photograph shows him being chaired when he performed this feat.

KING'S CUP AIR RACE

Some Contemplated Changes

LONGER COURSE: MORE SEVERE TESTS

This year's air race for the King's Cup — the fifteenth — will be markedly different from previous contests. Aircraft entered will be divided into the following three classes for the purposes of the elimination test, which begins on July 10.

Single-engined aircraft powered by engines not exceeding 150 h.p. at the maximum permissible revolutions per minute.

Single-engined aircraft with engines exceeding 150 h.p.

Multi-engined aircraft with no restriction regarding power.

Last year there were only two classes — machines with more and machines with less than 150 h.p.

The elimination test will be over a 1,240 mile course, covering much of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Last year this test course was 933 miles.

Fifty per cent of the starters this year in each class in the test, but not exceeding 10 from each class, will compete in the final on Saturday, July 11, over a course of 350 miles. The start and the finish will be at Hatfield aerodrome.

Wide Range of Machines.

In the final the machines will compete on estimated performance handicaps.

The effect of the new conditions should be to bring to the field a wide range of British types. The tests will obviously be so severe as to bring out the qualities of engine, of speed resulting from clean design, and of air pilotage and navigation.

They will, even with this fuel load, be able to carry a small load of air mail for the first experimental flights which are to be undertaken this year.

The lower component of the Mayo composite seaplane, also under construction at Short Bros., is also well advanced; it is almost identical with the Empire flying-boats. The upper component — a seaplane to be launched in mid-air from the back of the parent boat — is not in the same advanced

Composite Seaplane

The two Atlantic experimental boats will be given a range of 2,000 to 3,500 miles in order to cross the 2,000 miles of open ocean between Ireland and Newfoundland against 40 m.p.h. continuous head winds.

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Business Men And The Flying Boat Services

Cable companies are becoming interested in the plans for the development of the long distance flying boat.

Admiral Henry Grant, a director of Cables and Wireless Ltd., has joined the board of British Marine Aircraft, the company which is to construct the S42 boats at Hamble.

The many wireless stations on the ocean highways belonging to the cable companies may prove useful for radio directional duties for flying boats.

New possibilities concerning quicker business communications will arise with the expansion of

ENCOUNTERS STORMS ON LAST LAP

13.1-4 HOURS FASTER THAN MRS. MOLLISON ROUTE LONGER BY 1,000 MILES

FLT-LT. T. ROSE, the 41-year-old British airman, arrived at Cape Town at 6.30 p.m. on February 9. He thereby broke Mrs. Mollison's record for a solo flight from England to the Cape by 13 1/4 hours. The times of Flt-Lt. Rose and Mrs. Mollison were:

Flt-Lt. Rose: 3 days, 17 hours, 38 minutes.

Mrs. Mollison: 4 days, 6 hours, 53 minutes.

Flt-Lt. Rose's route was about 1,000 miles longer than Mrs. Mollison's, as he went via Egypt, whereas she took the West Coast of Africa route.

Flying OVERRATED

"I had a lot of bad luck, but a great deal of good luck," said Flt-Lt. Rose on his arrival at Cape Town. "I should have been here long ago if everything had gone smoothly, but you cannot expect everything to go smoothly on a flight like this."

"The weather held me up a lot, and I also got a petrol leakage. It was my own fault—I shoved some kit away in a hurry and damaged a pipe."

"I got the petrol leakage in the Southern Sudan, and it compelled me to make a forced landing south of Wadi Halfa. I repaired the damage, but lost several precious hours by returning to Wadi Halfa."

Good First Day

Flt-Lt. Rose, who looked amazingly fresh, went on: "I had a marvellous first day — 14 hours' flying time to Cairo. That must be very nearly a record for any type of machine. I am pretty certain."

"I had only two hours' sleep on the whole trip, but I feel fit as a fiddle. I had some special pills to keep me awake in case I dozed off, but I didn't have to use them."

"All the credit of the flight must go to the machine and engine, both of which are British. It's a grand machine."

"I have had a great time, even if I did have shocking conditions after the first day."

"This flying business is a very much overrated pastime, but I do not feel a bit fatigued, so, if the opportunity arises again, I hope we may be able to get here in one and a half days."

"I am now going to have a bath."

Forced Down Near Goal

MISSSED AERODROME

On the last lap but one of his flight Flt-Lt. Rose made a forced landing in a violent storm. He was several hours' overdue at Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, after leaving Kisumu, Kenya, and some anxiety was felt for him.

Owing to the storm he flew over Salisbury without seeing it and had to land at the Whitsbury Estate, 80 miles south of Salisbury. In doing so he slightly damaged the "spat" or fairing, round the right wheel of his plane's undercarriage.

He was able to fly to Salisbury the following morning. The damage was repaired, and he started on the last lap, passing over Eulaway, Southern Rhodesia, at 9.24 a.m. From there to Cape Town — 1,200 miles — took him a little over 10 hours, an average of 114 m.p.h.

Huge Crowd

A huge crowd assembled at the aerodrome at Cape Town to greet him. Darkness was falling when the lights of the plane were seen over the mountains.

As the wheels of the machine touched the ground in a perfect landing, hooters were sounded from hundreds of cars, and 3,000 people cheered loudly. "Everything is rosy," shouted one enthusiast, as the airman was chaired to a platform, where the deputy mayor extended an official welcome to him.

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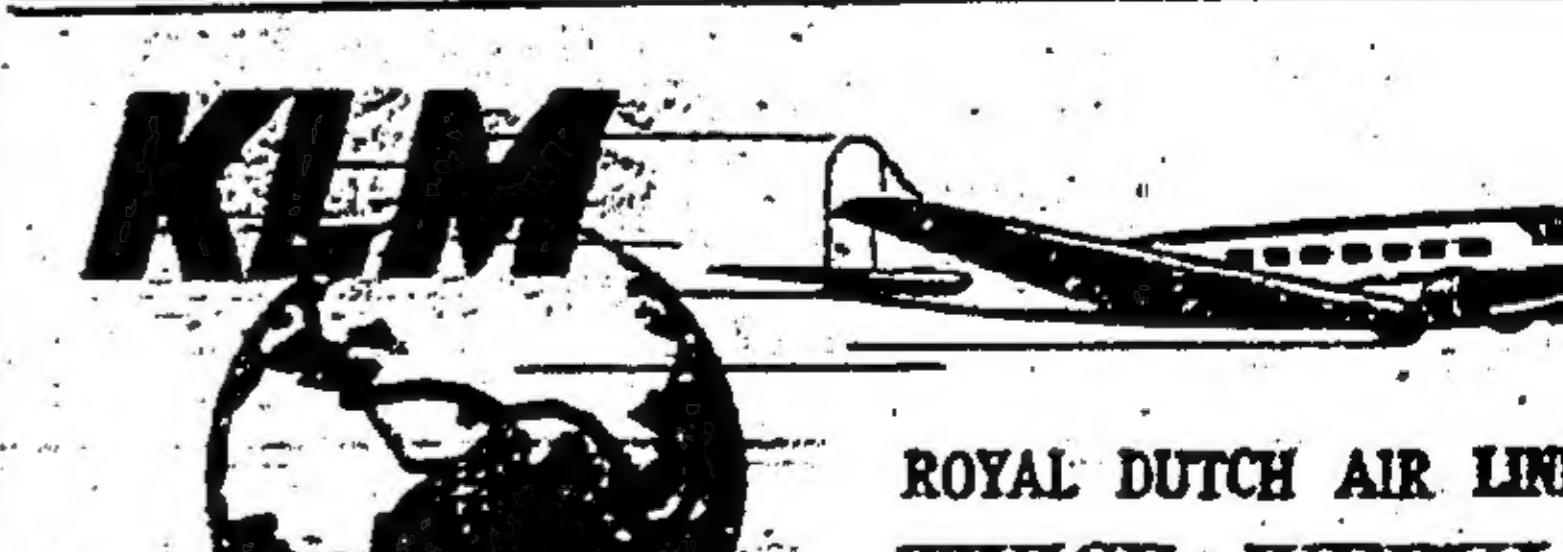
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REFUGEES FROM RUSSIA

Tragic Fate Of Many Women

POSITION IN SHANGHAI

(By H. P. S. MATTHEWS)

Action is to be taken to remedy the tragic state of Russian refugee women in the Far East, revealed by the recently-published report of a League of Nations enquiry.

After the Communist Revolution of 1917 exiles streamed over the frontiers of Russia into all the neighbouring countries, a very large number of them taking refuge in Manchuria and other parts of North China. The miseries of their flight have often been described. Many had become separated from their relations and in the stations through which they passed notice boards were covered with their scribbled enquiries for brothers, sisters, sons and daughters with whom they hoped to re-establish contact.

They arrived in China in a state of hopeless destitution. In addition many of the Russians already resident in the Railway Zone were deprived of their incomes and themselves became destitute. For many of these people prostitution formed the only alternative to a lingering death from hunger and exposure. White Slave traffickers were quick to seize the opportunity of exploiting their misery.

League Enquiry

The League enquiry was held with the object of seeing what could be done to rescue these unfortunate women and give them an opportunity of making a fresh start in life. One passage in the report states:

The plight of Russian women and girls in Shanghai is truly heart-rending. Not less than 22% per cent of all Russian women between the age of 16 and 44 are said to be engaged in professional or casual prostitution.

Another report says:

As far as women actually practising prostitution are concerned, they would, if liberated from their sentinels, thankfully accept work which would give them an opportunity of leading an honest life.

Agent Appointed

The Assembly of the League of Nations decided to appoint an agent in the Far East whose task would be to care for the interests of these people and co-ordinate the work already being done on their behalf. The League was obliged, however, from reasons of economy, to ask private charities to find the necessary funds—a sum of £2,000. Women's organisations in Great Britain are to collaborate in this work, and a meeting is to be held shortly, presided over by Lord Cecil, at which an appeal for funds will be issued. The speaker will be Dame Rachel Crowdy, who has very great experience of the humanitarian activities of the League.

PROGRAMME FOR TOURISTS

Drives Round Island & New Territories

An interesting programme has been arranged for the Empress of Britain tourists to-day, the main features being trips round the Island and a 60-mile drive round the New Territories.

The "A" party will have this morning free for independent action and lunch will be taken on board. They leave at 2.15 p.m. by a special "Star Ferry" for Hong Kong, where they will commence their motor trip round the Island, via Causeway Bay, Shaukiwan and Tyam Reservoir to Repulse Bay Hotel, where tea will be served at 3.15 p.m.

At 4.15 p.m. they will continue their trip, via Deep Water Bay, Aberdeen, Pokfulam, the University, Government House, the Botanical Gardens and Garden Road, returning by a special "Star Ferry" at 5.30 p.m. to the ship. Dinner will be taken on board.

The "B" party will leave the ship at 9.30 a.m. by motor cars for a trip round the New Territories and will return to the Empress of Britain for lunch. This afternoon will be free and dinner will be taken on board.

Recent appointments notified by the Admiralty include the following: Capt. R. G. Duke to Adventure (March 14); Lt. T. L. Cannon to Medway (March 6).



Our photographs show how some of the Empress of Britain tourists enjoy their leisure moments afloat and ashore. Upper left shows Mr. and Mrs. David B. Dearborn, of New York, ready for their slide down the mountain at Madeira, while in the upper right picture the Hon. G. Howard and Mrs. Ferguson, of Toronto, Canada, are seen preparing for their experience of the "carrinho-de-monte" in the same port. Mr. Ferguson was formerly Premier of Ontario and recently resigned from the position of Canadian High Commissioner for Great Britain. The two bottom photographs show (left) Commander C. T. H. Bradshaw, with his wife and son, enjoying the sea-breezes aboard the liner, and (right) a happy party at Durban, including (left to right) Mr. Fred Suite, Jr., and Miss Loretto Suite, of Chicago, and Mr. Terence J. Dillon, of Hollywood.

for STAMP COLLECTORS

By A. E. L.

The Double Flagstaff

The February G.S.M. contains the following notice:

"As there have been suggestions and even statements in some of our contemporaries to the effect that 'double flagstaff' varieties in the Silver Jubilee issues will be catalogued, I think it only fair to state that we ourselves have never at any time suggested that these will be catalogued, nor will they, in fact, be included in the catalogue lists. They are interesting varieties, and if the fact that they occur in the Jubilee issues has given them greater prominence this does not entitle them to catalogue rank."



This is one side of the story. On the other hand the Home papers report a sale recently held at Harmers, London, when four Falkland Island 1/- stamp flagstaff variety brought 518, 10s, and others with the same peculiarity realised sums of from 30 shillings to 5 guineas each.

Hong Kong Collector

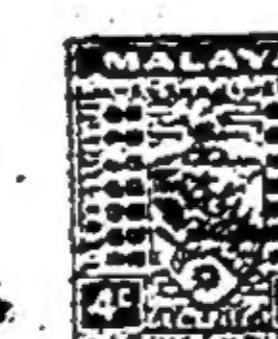
I have already reported the death of Surgeon Captain G. T. Bishop, one of the foremost authorities on Hong Kong stamps. His collection, which included many interesting items, was sold by auction on March 2 and 3. As soon as the full list of prices realised is available, I shall publish all items of general interest.

Auction Of Accessories

MANY objects of great interest to philatelists are included in a sale completed in London. They comprise all the philatelic goods of Perkins Bacon and Co.

Ltd., Southwark—the firm which printed the first postage stamp, 96 years ago.

The objects, which have been acquired by Charles Nissen and Co., the London dealers, include:



The original "lay-out" devised by Sir Rowland Hill, originator of the penny postage, for the plates for the first penny black stamp, in which he set out and explained the scheme of check letters, used to identify the plates.

The proof sheet of the One Penny, 1855, printed in black, after 1,000,000 impressions had been taken:

Proofs of the early penny stamps, including a range of colour trials;

The original reference book containing die proofs and references of practically every stamp the firm has printed; and



Die and plate proofs, engravers' working proofs and many artists' original drawings, probably the most remarkable collection in existence.

Jacob Perkins invented the process of stamp printing, and his firm is believed to be the oldest banknote printing business in the world. The productions of the works, first at 69, Fleet-street, and later at Southwark, have always won admiration from philatelists.

Limited Chinese Issue

The "New Life Movement"

stamps, issued by the Nanking Government and put into circulation on January 1 of this year, have not been exhausted as was rumoured. There is still an ample supply at the Shanghai Post Office to meet present demand. Nevertheless, the complete set promises to become a rarity in the not too distant future and collectors would be advised to make sure of the series before it becomes extinct.



For such it will become. This series has stamps of four denominations; two cents, five cents, twenty cents, and one dollar. Only 400,000 one dollar stamps have been issued and therefore there can only be 400,000 thousand complete sets. In the stamp world this number is regarded as very small. The stamps of smaller denominations have been issued in larger numbers. It has been impossible to learn how low the stock of one dollar stamps has run since these stamps are being used all over the country.

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Macau Air Mail

This Portuguese colony of Macau is to be provided with its first Air Mail issue by overprinting the word "Aviao" on the current 2, 3, 7 and 8 avos stamps and surcharging in new value 6 avos.

ATHLETIC FAVOURED FOR TO-DAY

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Re-shuffle At Forward

South China are likely to re-shuffle their forwards, and if Ho Kar-keung leads the attack, George Tse-pan, whom he replaces, will either support him or play at half-back.

Young Shui-yick, their former right-winger, is still one of their most dangerous forwards, although he is on the left-wing, and will need to be carefully watched.

The encounter is likely to bring out the best in both teams and a

WANTSTAI SCHOOL SPORTS

(Continued from Page 4)

High Jump (Senior): 1, Cheng Kuan-min; 2, Fong Wa-cheng.

High Jump (Junior): 1, Chan Yick-yuen; 2, Lau Yan-fee.

Half-mile (Senior): 1, Li Man-chung; 2, Wan Cheng-chi.

Half-mile (Junior): 1, Lo Kam-wing; 2, Lau Yan-fee.

100 yards (Senior): 1, Li Man-chung; 2, Kwan Fong-ming.

100 yards (Junior): 1, Mak Kwong-ting; 2, Hau Ching-kai.

75 yards (Midset): 1, Pang Ting-po; 2, Yuen Kin-wan.

220 yards (Senior): 1, Li Man-chung; 2, Kwan Fong-ming.

220 yards (Junior): 1, Mok Kwong-ming; 2, Chan Hon-sen.

100 yards (Midset): 1, Pang Ting-po; 2, Yuen Kin-wan.

Sack Race (Open): 1, Fong Wah-cheng; 2, Yuen Tse-fong.

Three-legged Race (Open): 1, Fong Wan-cheung and Cheng Kuan-min; 2, Mo Chi-hung and Li Man-chung.

Past Pupils Race: 1, Mak Shing-chung; 2, Li Lai-min.

Consolation Race: 1, Tung Sui-kei; 2, Wong Sui-kwong.

Inter-class Team Race (Senior): 1, Class 4A; 2, Class 4B.

Inter-class Team Race (Junior): 1, Class 7.

Inter-school Relay Race: Yammie School.

CANOSSIAN INSTITUTE'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION

On the occasion of the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of the arrival of the Canossian Sisters of Charity in Hong Kong, an old resident and former pupil of the Canossian Sisters, by courtesy of the Hong Kong Broadcasting Committee, will give a short talk on the Canossian Institute's 75 years in Hong Kong, from the local studio, from 8.25 to 8.35 p.m. on Tuesday next. This year the Italian Convent commemorates also the centenary of the death of the Venerable Magdalene, Marchioness of Canossa, foundress of the Institute.

The next meeting for meditation and discussion conducted by Dr. Reichelt at the Tao Fong Shan Chapel, Bishop's House, Hong Kong, will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday next. The subject will be the Gospel of St. John.

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The Kwong Fook Cheung arrived from Woocow at 2.15 a.m. and when Captain R. Elvidge was leaving the ship at 2.30 a.m. he went ashore, and although he was not seen returning to the ship he has no right whatever to speak about treaties. Germany would be in position to present a bill.

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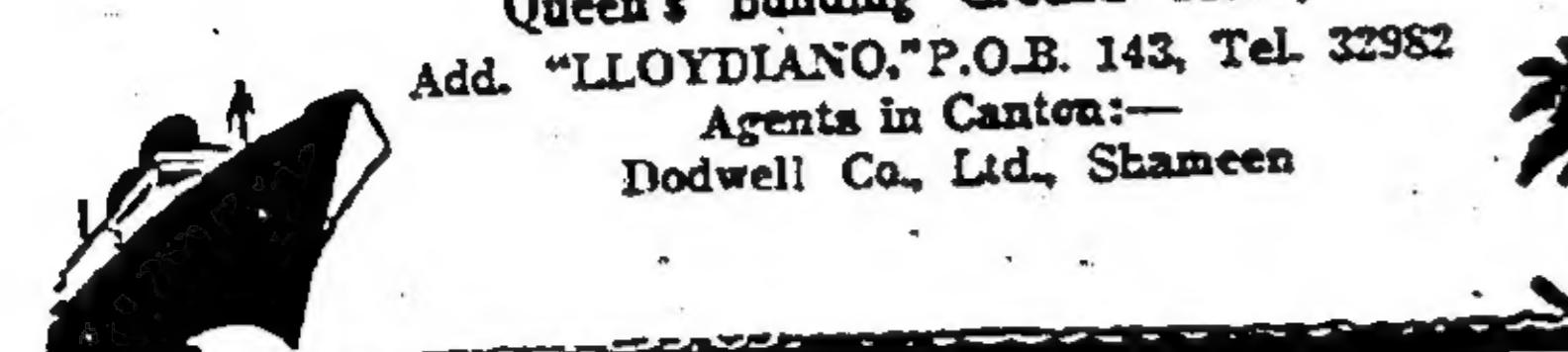
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H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut.-Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E. Commandant. Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Hong Kong, Friday, 20th March, 1936

PARADE

Corps 1st Battery

"L" Section:

Parade at Corps Headquarters

on Friday, 27th instant at 5.30 p.m.

Dress—Overalls, Blue Cap, Gun Platform Shoes.

The Annual Meeting of "L" Section

will be held after this parade at 6.15 p.m.

Corps Engineers

Parade at Miniature Range on

Monday, 23rd instant at 5.30 p.m. for Classification on Sunday,

Corps Signals

1. Parade at Corps Headquarters

at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday, 21st instant

Dress—Tunic, Slacks, Black brace

Boots, Blue Forage Cap, (Sikhs will wear Turban) and Greatcoats.

Equipment—Belts (as issued), Haversacks, Waterbottle, and Box Respirator.

2. Parade at Corps Headquarters

at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 24th and Thursday, 26th March, 1936.

Dress—Mufti.

M. G. Troop

Parade at Corps Headquarters

on Tuesday, 24th instant at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at Corps

Headquarters on Saturday, 21st

March at 2.00 p.m. for G.O.C.'s

Inspection.

Dress—Overalls, R.T.C. Caps, Black Boots, Waterbottle (filled), Box Respirator (entering by Garden Road entrance) at 3.10 p.m.

Markers report to R.S.M. at 3.15 p.m.

Revolver Competition

The Revolver Competition will

be fired on Tuesday, 24th instant

at Kennedy Road Range.

Lorry leaves Corps Headquar-

ters at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Range Officer—Lieut. F. P. Sequeira.

Air Arm

Parade at Corps Headquarters

at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 24th instant for M.G. Instruction.

AMENDMENT

Corps Orders No. 11/36 dated

15.3.36, para: 3—"Strength"—No.

2561 Pte. H. A. Hargreave No. 2

(Scottish) Company should read

No. 2561 Pte. A. G. Hargreave No.

1 (M.G.) Company, No. 2 Platoon.

APPOINTMENT

Sergt. G. G. Stapani-Thomson.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company, is ap-

pointed Company Sergeant Major

with effect from 20th March, 1936.

LECTURE ROOM ALLOTMENT

Corps 1st Battery, "L" Section—

Friday—27th March, 1936.

LEAVE

No. 2051 Bdr. A. J. MacFayden,

1st Battery, granted sick leave

from 1st to 31st March, 1936.

No. 1881 Corp. G. H. Fowler,

M. M. G. Section, granted leave as

from 16.3.36 to 20.11.36.

No. 2481 Pte. M. D. Long, No. 3

(M.G.) Company granted leave as

from 16.3.36 to 30.3.31.

No. 2535 Pte. K. L. Loo, No. 3

(M.G.) Company, granted leave as

from 16.3.36 to 15.4.36.

STRUCK OFF THE STRENGTH

Having Left The Colony

No. 2477 Tpr. C. J. Powell,

Troop, as from 20th March, 1936.

Having Completed Three Years

Service

No. 1602 Pte. F. M. Britto, B

Company, Corps Infantry as from

20.3.36.

STRENGTH

No. 2566 Gunner, A. A. Rum-

john, Corps 1st Bty "L" Section

13.3.36.

No. 2567 Pte. V. Harris, No. 1

(M.G.) Coy. 13.3.36.

Captain, (Sdg.) R. C. B. ANDERSON.

Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps

Associated Units

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

The next lecture on "First Aid

in Defence against Chemical War-

fare" will be held on Monday,

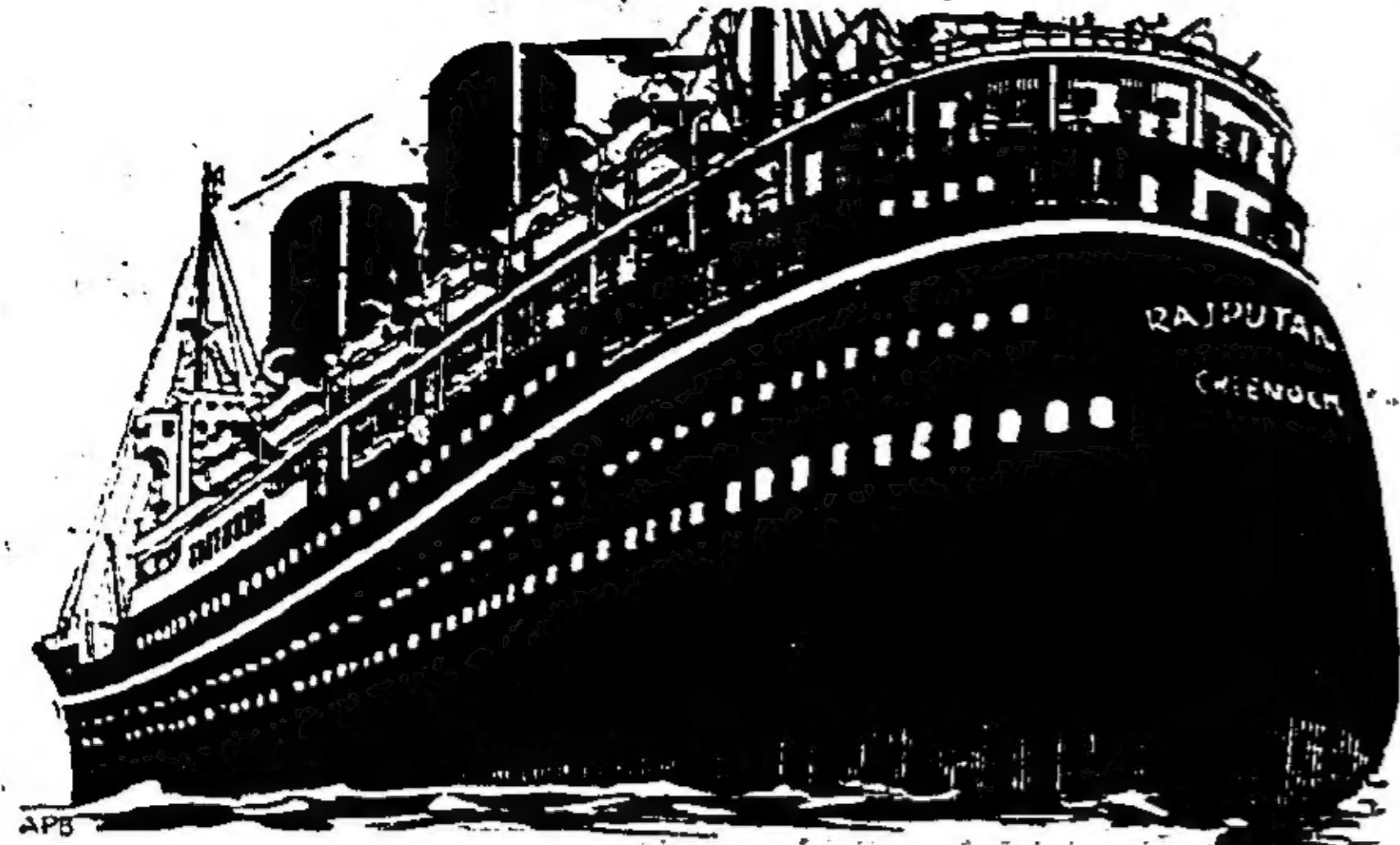
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CARTHAGE	2nd May	14,500	Marseilles & London	
RAJPUTANA	16th May	17,000	Bombay, Marseilles & London	
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CHITRAL	30th May	15,000	Bombay, Marseilles & London	
BEHAR	6th June	6,000	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull	
RANIPURA	13th June	17,000	Bombay, Marseilles & London	
†SUDAN	20th June	7,000	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull	
RAWALPINDI	27th June	17,000	Bombay, Marseilles & London	
CORFU	11th July	14,500	Bombay, Marseilles & London	
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SHIRALA	8,000	2nd Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
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NELLORE	7,000	5th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
RAJPUTANA	6,000	15th Apr.	Shanghai, & Japan.
TILAWA	10,000	16th Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Eddie Harkness and his Orchestra from Studio Daventry News Bulletin 12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Recorded Programme. 1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report. 1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Ruby Press News, etc. 2.15 p.m.—Close down.

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme. 6.30-7 p.m.—Chinese Dance Music. 7 p.m.-12.30 a.m.—European Programme.

7.30 p.m.—Military Band Music. Silver Trumpets—Grand Processional March (Vivian). Slavonic Rhapsody (arr. Winterbottom).

The Old Frog Pond (Alford). Parade of the Elephants (Chenet). Hungarian Dance ("From Foreign Parts") (Moscioowski).

Le Rêve Fasse (Helmer). 8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

7.30-8.30 p.m.—From the Studio. Eddie Harkness and his Orchestra Programme Concert.

1. Victor Herbert Favourite Melodies

2. Träume Herbert

3. Pale Moon Raabach

4. L'Amour Toujours L'Amour Lorin

5. Serenade Friml

Fox-Trot.

Beautiful Lady in Blue.

8.30-8.50 p.m.—A Jazz Piano Recital by Rain da Costa.

1. Everyone says "I Love you."

2. Butterflies in the Rain.

3. Sunshine Susie—Medley.

4. Goodnight Vienna—Medley.

5. I'll String along with you.

6. What are your intentions.

8.50-9.15 p.m.—Variety Items.

Song—

Give me a heart to Sing to

Helen Morgan

Organ Solo—

The Blue Danube Waltz

Reginald Foort.

Songs—

Slumberland

Josephine

Les Allen (Baritone).

Accordion Solo—

Stars Over Devon

George Scott-Wood.

Vocal—

When that Harvest Moon is Shining

Good Night

The Hill Billies

Orchestra—

Sweet Memories

Romantic Waltz Medley

Eddie Carroll and his Music.

9.15-9.30 p.m.—The J. H. Squire Celeste Coter.

La Paloma—Spanish Serenade (Vivadri).

O Sole Mio (di Capua)

Good Company Medley (arr. Willoughby).

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London. To-day, Sir Hugh Allen, Principal of the Royal College of Music, has been awarded an Honorary Doctorship by the Faculty of Philosophy in Berlin University. Sir Hugh Allen is Professor of Music at Oxford and has organised there the Bach-Handel Exhibition, for which the Prussian State Library lent their valuable Bach manuscripts last year.

The Berlin University honour was awarded to Sir Hugh in the German Embassy in London by the Ambassador, Dr. von Hoesch—Trans-Ocean Service.

THE COMBINED
MANOEUVRES

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Owing to the necessity for low flying anti-aircraft searchlights had considerable difficulty in keeping their targets, but again the aircraft suffered severely from guns and Lewis machine-guns.

NIGHT RAIDS

During the night, raids were carried out by enemy ships as follows:—

On Tolo Harbour, when the railway and the vicinity of Ma Niu Shui was damaged, but the mobile troops on the Taipo road prevented any satisfactory reconnaissance being carried out by the enemy or any extensive damage being done.

The second raid was on Castle Peak Road, in the area of Shan Tseng (the brewery) and resulted in damage to the road bridge. Re-

British circles that only a small pair to the bridge and road are force is contemplated under the by the Public Works Department, being expeditiously carried out proposed neutral zone for the policing scheme.

The Castle Peak mobile troops sighted the enemy before they could land, and a reserve force from mainland headquarters was rushed out in buses before they could secure a landing or any damage could be effected.

HARBOUR ATTACKS FAIL

The enemy also attempted to enter Hong Kong Harbour by the eastern and western entrances.

Fortress Headquarters received ample warning of enemy shipping approaching the shores of the New Territories and of the Island.

Owing to the alertness of the naval and police close-watching organisation, the fixed defence (lights and guns) received ample warning and engaged the ships

well before their approach to our minefields. The only results

achieved by the harbour attacks were that a few of the mines were cleared, but intensive damage was done to enemy shipping.

It is anticipated that the enemy, after their reconnaissance raids of the night of March 20-21, will attack in force to-night, but it is in action, an attack either on the New Territories or on the help of the Hong Kong Volunteer Island will be repulsed.

Government

The following appointments, etc. are notified in the Government Gazette:—

Messrs. H. J. Pearce, C. B. Robertson, R. S. W. Paterson and J. H. Bottomley have been deputed to act on behalf of the Building

Authority in all cases referred to in Sections 117, 118, 119 and 120 of the Buildings Ordinance, 1935, in connection with dangerous buildings;

Baron Hugo Beck-Friis has been appointed Swedish Consul-General for Hong Kong, with residence at Shanghai;

Mr. Alfred Breyer has been appointed a member of the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee;

Mr. David Mercer MacDougall is to be Deputy Clerk of Councils, with effect from March 20;

Sergeant Daniel Marshall has been raised to the rank of Second Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from March 14;

Mr. Roland Arthur Charles North is to act as Colonial Secretary, with effect from March 28;

Mr. William James Carrie is to act as Secretary for Chinese Affairs, with effect from March 23;

Mr. Henry Robert Buttens is to be Postmaster-General, with effect from March 23;

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